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Severed head found n northeast alley

Homicide probe.

Discovery could be related to body found near Ranfurly, east of Edmonton, police say

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An Edmonton man watched as police carted away a bag containing what he says was

a severed human head.
Jesse Whitnack, 30, witnessed the scene from the balcony of his apartment in Balwin district, in Edmonton's northeast, at about 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday. He asked officers what they were doing in the alley behind his build-

ing.
"I said, 'Don't tell me it's another body,' and he said, 'It's just parts,'" Whitnack recalled.

"So, I kind of took the hint from there that it was a dead

Ås the sun came up, Whitnack took pictures of the crime scene, located about 25 feet from his second-floor apartment in the alleyway at 132 Avenue and 72 Street.

He snapped 14 photographs as police unfolded a brown paper bag and placed in it what Whitnack said was a human head with hair.
"I could tell, definitely,

there was a head, but I have no idea how many other parts or what they were," he

While he did not know if the head belonged to a man or woman, he said he was positive it was a head.

The Edmonton Police Service confirmed late Wednesday afternoon that homicide detectives are investigating after a body was found near 72 Street and 131 Avenue.

"There's nothing else that round and hairy that you would put into a bag and then mark where you picked tit up from with a little yellow police tag," Whitnack said. RCMP are working with city police to determine if the

head is linked to a body found in a ditch near Ranfurly, east of the city, on Saturday.

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> Oilers owners Daryl Katz, his company, family and staff gave \$300,000 to the Progressive Conservatives in the April election. The arena deal is on hold, but before city council suspended negotiations, it hinged on \$100 million in provincial

The donations were disclosed in Elections Alberta reports on Wednesday.

NDP Leader Brian Mason called the news troubling. We'd better watch out for the shoe to drop, because I think Daryl Katz is going to be getting his \$100 million."

Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith agreed the donations were interesting, but said she doubts the Katz Group will get the \$100 million it's seeking. "I think it would raise a lot of eyebrows if Ms. Redford did change her publicly-stated position.

Before the election, the company made more modest donations, giving \$4,250 from the Katz Group in 2011 and \$11,375 in 2010 through Medicine Shoppe Canada, which the Katz Group then owned.

A spokesperson for Pre-mier Alison Redford said the donations have no impact on the premier's position and no other money will be forthcoming.

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Program support

Cost increase could hurt **U-Pass:** Students

Student leaders asked city councillors to put the brakes on a proposed increase to the U-Pass program, worrying that at a higher fee, support for it could die on campuses.

The U-Pass, a mandatory program for University of Alberta Grant MacEwan and NAIT students, costs each student \$140 per semester, but under the proposed formula, that cost would rise to \$170. The U-Pass allows students unlimited access to transit services.

Students told council's executive committee that they support an increase, but believe it should be more modest.

NAIT students just barely supported the program in a referendum two years ago and student association president Tea-gan Gahler said the vote will be harder this time.

"We need at least 67 per cent of our students to vote yes and we believe the sticker-shock will be a bit too much."

Coun. Don Iveson encouraged his colleagues to see the long-term view of the program.

"This is a strategic group of riders that we are trying to attract to life-time transit use," he said. "It is hard to put a

dollar value on that." Coun. Amarjeet Sohi agreed that the U-pass program had been a great success, but said it was also important to consider the cost it was having on the entire city.

"We need to run a system and that system has to be run by shared responsibility of all the taxpayers.

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Suspect in Killam **Mounties shooting** charged with murder

Sawyer Robison. Area residents shocked at suspect's charge in uncle's death

LAURIE CALLSEN and JEREMY NOLAIS

The man accused of shooting two Mounties last winter near Killam has been charged with second-degree murder

in the death of his uncle. RCMP said Wednesday that Sawyer Clarke Robison was charged Tuesday with seconddegree murder in the death of Bradford Clarke. Clarke was found dead in the home.

Robison was charged with two counts of attempted murder after Constables Sheldon Shah and Sid Gaudette were shot and wounded while executing a search warrant on Robison's family farm on Feb. 7.

Killam mayor Bud James was surprised to hear of the latest development in the case, which rocked the town as well as neighbouring Sedgewick, where the Robi-son and Clarke families are both based.

"There's certainly sup-port for all parties. Mr. Robi-son and family as well as the RCMP constables and their families both have support. It's just a tragic thing that's happened, and generally

people are not jumping to any conclusions," he told Metro after learning of the news.

Many of those living in Killam and Sedgewick echoed James' sentiments.

Sharleen Chevraux, who owns a local craft shop in Killam, was shocked to learn of Robison's charge. She said many in the community have raised questions about the validity of the RCMP's claims. "I personally have a hard time not believing the police," she added.

"Everyone I have talked to says he was a good kid, added Chevraux, who says she knows Robison's mother, Carol Clarke. "I don't really know what to say. None of

- No further information is available from police due to a publication ban.
- Police conducted a three-day-long manhunt for Robison after the alleged shootings.
- Robison faces several other weapons charges and was released on bail on June 29.

this makes any sense, really." Robison is due to appear in Wetaskiwin Court of Queen's Bench Oct. 30 at 10 a.m.

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Recognizing Edmonton's corridor of churches

Church Street.

Meeting Thursday to generate ideas for revitalization, promotion, enhancement of area



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Just northeast of downtown Edmonton, a number of steeples can be seen towering over homes and poking up between businesses.

They sit atop churches lining 96 Street between 105 Avenue and 111 Avenue, known as Church Street.

On Thursday, area residents and stakeholders will gather to discuss ways to recognize, preserve and enhance it.

"It was always meant to be ... a civic precinct of some sort," said city heritage planner David Holdsworth

A neighbourhood plan labelling 96 Street a focus was pushed by city council in July when they asked for a report on ways to recognize and revitalize the area.

Holdsworth will make a few suggestions at the meeting, such as design guidelines for any new structures or infill, a focus on street-scape and street furniture, as well as perhaps finding ways to restore some buildings.

ings.
"It's just depending on what the stakeholders and community feel is relevant and warranted," he said.

Edmonton Heritage Council executive director David Ridley thinks the conversation should centre around preserving Church Street, but also promoting

Feedback forward

- Thursday's meeting is at the Sacred Heart Church of First Peoples at 7 p.m.
- An online survey asking for feedback was posted on Edmonton.ca/ ChurchStreet two weeks ago and will remain live until about the end of November.
- A summary of results from the survey and meeting will be posted online at that time, and a report with recommendations will go to city council in February or March of next year.

how interesting and significant it is.

"I think one would want to have ... more permanent street interpretation," he said. "Whether that's plaques and signage of some kind, or ways that people can access more information about that place when they're down on that street."

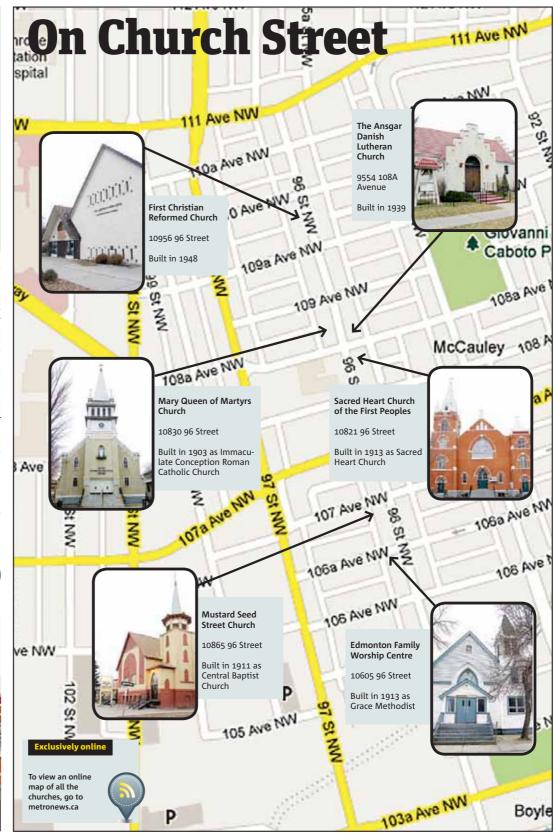
The churches — 12 on 96 Street and another 10 in the surrounding area — were built between the turn of the century and the 1970s, representing a broad range of denominations and architectural styles. The oldest, Mary Queen of Martyrs Church, was built in 1903.

"It's pretty exciting with very distinct character, great potential," said Holdsworth. "So it just makes logical sense that Church Street could be this great heritage area, sort of a cultural node."

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The Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples is one of 12 on 96 Street in identification of a meeting Thursday to discuss in interest in the second page 18 of 18



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Residents along 99 Street will still have to contend with trucks on the busy commuter route.

City council's transportation committee accepted a report from city administration to leave the status quo in place for the route, which residents are concerned is becoming unsafe.

Administration had been asked to look at banning heavy trucks on the road from Whyte Avenue to Saskatchewan Drive, but determined that based on

"The problem for us is that our sidewalks are scary to walk along."

Peigi Rockwell, co-chair of a task force from the Strathcona Community League On wanting the traffic to slow down on 99 Street so residents can use it.

the traffic counts that would only be about 400 trucks per day

Peigi Rockwell, co-chair of a task force from the Strathcona Community League working on the issue, said 99 Street as it stands really divides the neighbourhood with all the commuter traffic.

"We are sprawling south and all those cars want to come north through our community." said Rockwell. She said she is disappointed with the decision on trucks, but generally wants the road slowed down so residents can use it.

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"The problem for us is that our sidewalks are scary to walk along. We have merchants along the street that we would like to visit," said Rockwell.

She said they are looking at other options, including trees and other items on the sidewalk to encourage people to slow down. **XYAN TUMILITY/METRO**

Region's language make-up changing

Culture. Older communities have less connection to languages

RYAN TUMILTY

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Fully 255,000 Edmontonians speak a language at home that is neither French nor English and while some communities are seeing growth, for others, their language is on the decline.

Numbers released Wednesday show Chinese, including Mandarin and Cantonese, is the language most often spoken at home in the capital region other than English and French.

Behind that is Tagalog, with 9.7 per cent of non-official language speakers, Punjabi at 7.8 per cent, German at 6.6 and Spanish at 5.8 per cent.

German fell significantly in the last five years, as did Ukrainian, falling from 8.2 per cent to 5.5 of non-official language speakers.

Daria Luciw, president of the Alberta Provincial Council of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, said the community has been in the country for over 100 years and she isn't surprised the language is declining.

Census

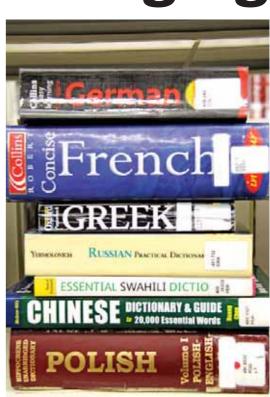
- 77.8 per cent. The proportion of Alberta residents who identified English as their mother tongue in the 2011 census. That's down from 79.6 per cent in the 2006 census.
- 15.2 per cent. The increase in the number of Alberta residents identifying French as their mother tongue in the 2011 census compared to the 2006 census. That marks the biggest proportional increase of all provinces.

Source: Statistics Canada analyst Brigitte Chavez

"The majority of our community here is made up of fourth, fifth, sixth generation Canadians," she said. "We do keep the culture alive. The largest industry for Canadian dance outside of Ukraine is in Western Canada," said Luciw.

Roman Petryshyn, director of the Ukranian resource and Development Centre at Grant MacEwan, said much of Ukrainian culture can stay alive without language, but language is still important.

"Things like language are key to understanding deeper culture," he said.



The number of Albertans who identified languages other than English and French as their mother tongue is on the rise — up to 726,000 people in the province, according to the 2011 census. RYAN TUMILITY/METRO

'World is watching'

Single regulator sought for Alberta energy development

Saying the "world is watching," the Alberta government introduced legislation Wednesday that would put a single regulator in charge of overseeing all future oil, gas, oilsands and coal development in the province.

Bill 2, the Responsible Energy Development Act, creates a single provincial regulator that will also be responsible for energy resource developments from initial application to reclamation.

The government says the Alberta Energy Regulator will reduce the time and money it takes for companies seeking approvals and was one of six recommendations made in 2011.

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Premier skeptical of Chinese ownership survey results

Alberta Premier Alison Redford says she is skeptical of a survey that suggests residents in the province are wary of Chinese investment.

Redford was responding to a University of Alberta survey of 1,210 people just days before China National Offshore Oil Co. announced its controversial multibillion-dollar deal in the summer to take over Calgary-based Nexen Inc. The survey found 37 per cent of those polled agreed partial Chinese investment in Alberta is acceptable, with 36 per cent disagreeing and 27 per cent undecided. When it came to full ownership, only 15 per cent agreed it is acceptable, 64 per cent disagreed. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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City council. Traffic calming studies approved for two neighbourhoods

Two communities looking to slow down traffic in their neighbourhoods got a small victory at city council Wednesday.

Pleasantview and Prince Charles Neighbourhoods both asked city council's transportation committee to study traffic calming measures in their neighbourhoods.

The committee agreed to go forward on both requests at budget time.

Elaine Calder with the Pleasantview community league said the small step was all they were looking for.

That was the step we were looking for ... and that is exact-

ly where we want to be."

If council approves the

To have a study done on traffic calming in a neighbourhood, community groups have to present a petition with support from 25 per cent of the community.

Calming. Measures can include speed bumps, reduced speed limits and other measures to slow down vehicles.

study during budget meetings, administration will look at ways to slow down traffic next vear.

RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

Transit

LRT tail track remains on hold

A proposal to build a tail track at the end of a new NAIT LRT line will remain on hold.

City administration was asked to look at extending

the track 300 metres past the current end point at a temporary station on NAIT. While the cost for the project has come down, administration recommends not building it now because of complications in opening up the construction contract. The NAIT line is to open in 2014. METRO

Preparing Edmonton's youth for post-secondary studies

New Education Act.

The act will require post-secondary institutions and school boards to ensure highschool grads are ready

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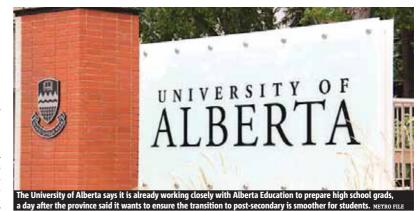
Edmonton post-secondary institutions and school boards are welcoming a provision in the new Education Act that will require them to work together.

The act, introduced yesterday, makes it a requirement

Quoted

"We need to blur those lines so the expectations we have with school boards is they will lead this."

Education Minister Jeff Johnson on the need for school boards and postsecondary institutions to work together.



of school boards to work with post-secondary institutions to make sure high school grads

are ready.

Gerry Kendal, vice-provost and registar at the University of Alberta, said they work closely with Alberta Education to make sure the high school curriculum is fitting student needs.

"They are the ones who fundamentally set the curriculum.'

Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) President Dr. Glenn Feltham said he finds students are generally ready when they enter first year.

"Our high schools and our system, particularly in Alberta, have been doing a good job," he said. "As a province, we are in incredibly good shape with the strength of our kids and the quality they are receiving in high schools."

Education minister Johnson said the government included the provisions that education is about more than brick and mortar schools.

"We are not in the schooling business, we are in the education business.

Edmonton Catholic Board chair Debbie Engel said she welcomed the provision.

"We really recognize the need for communication and dialogue with post secondary.'

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Again! Comments on rape trip up one more Republican

Women shocked.

A victim's pregnancy is 'something God intended,' says Indiana candidate

Another Republican running for the U.S. Senate has sparked outrage with comments about rape.

Richard Mourdock told a live television audience that when a woman becomes pregnant during a rape, it's "something God intended."

Mourdock, an Indiana Senate candidate, was asked during a debate Tuesday whether abortion should be allowed in cases of rape or incest.

"I struggled with it myself for a long time, but I came to realize that life is that gift from God," Mourdock said.

"And, I think, even when life begins in that horrible situation of rape, that it is



something that God intended of r

Women voters are key to this year's presidential race, and Republican challenger Mitt Romney has been drawn into this latest issue.

to happen

Romney campaign spokesperson Andrea Saul said Romney disagrees with Mourdock's opposition to abortion in cases of rape and incest, but she said Romney still supports Mourdock's Senate bid.

In August, Missouri Senate candidate Todd Akin caused an uproar when he said women's bodies have ways of preventing pregnancy in cases of what he called "legitimate rape." Akin has repeatedly apologized.

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Navy spy. It's amazing he wasn't caught: Lawyer

The lawyer for a Canadian naval officer who confessed to selling military secrets to the Russians says he was stunned his client wasn't caught sooner.

Domestic intelligence officials failed for years to pick up on his illicit behaviour, Mike Taylor said in an interview.

Taylor finds it baffling that Sub-Lt. Jeffrey Paul Delisle used such crude methods — floppy discs and thumb drives — to smuggle sensitive data from his secure office in Halifax to his home and then on to Russian agents via an online email provider.

The way the 41-year-old spy was paid by the Russians should also have been picked up by Delisle's superiors, Taylor said

"It's amazing he wasn't caught long before he was absolutely amazing," he said. Delisle pleaded guilty

Delisle pleaded guilty this month to breach of trust and espionage. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Killing. Shots ring out at church prayer service

A volunteer leading a prayer service at a Georgia megachurch was shot and killed Wednesday.

A former church employee was taken into custody hours later.

The shots were fired just before 10 a.m. inside a chapel on the campus of World Changers Church International, which says it has 30,000 followers in College Park, a suburb south of Atlanta

Authorities identified the

suspect as Floyd Palmer, in his early 50s, a former facilities maintenance employee at the church.

About 20 to 25 people were in the chapel when he gunman walked in and began shooting, authorities say.

No other people were wounded and the gunman fled in a black Subaru station wagon with tinted windows.

The victim was identi-

The victim was identified as Gregory McDowell, a 39-year-old church volunteer.

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Pessimism in Syria

UN backs it, but weekend truce plan appears doomed to fail

The United Nations Security Council gave unanimous backing Wednesday to a four-day truce proposed by the international mediator for Syria.

Lakhdar Brahimi, the UN-Arab League envoy, told the council the Syrian regime and some rebel groups promised to lay down their arms during the Muslim holiday of Eid al-Adha, which begins Friday.

But President Bashar Assad's regime denied Wednesday it had committed to the plan. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS





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Economist Bosnia's first hijab-wearing mayor

And a first for Europe?

War widow and single mother of three from the town of Visoko declares: 'I am the East and I am the West'

When Amra Babic walks down the streets of the central Bosnian town of Visoko wearing her Muslim headscarf, men sitting in outdoor cafés instantly rise from their chairs, fix their clothes and put out their cigarettes.

The respect is only natural: Babic is their new mayor.

The 43-year-old economist has blazed a trail in this war-scarred Balkan nation by becoming its first hijab-wearing mayor, and possibly the only one in Europe.

For Babic, the electoral tri-umph is proof that observance of Muslim tradition is compatible with Western democratic values. The wartime widow sees no contradiction in the influences that define her life.

"I am proud to be a Muslim and to be a European," she de-

She wants to fix the infra-

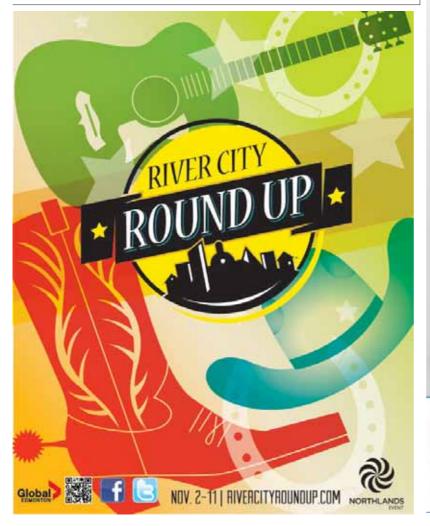


structure, partly ruined by the Bosnian 1992-95 war and partly by post-war poverty. And she plans to make Visoko attractive for investment, encouraging vouth to start small businesses. It's all part of her strategy to fight the town's unemployment rate of over 25 per cent.

"We are proud to have elected her," says Muris Karavdic, 38, a local small business owner. "It

doesn't matter whether she covers her head or not. She is smart and knows finances.

Babic decided to wear her headscarf after her husband was killed fighting in the Bosnian Army, and views it as "a human right." She says religion and hard work helped her overcome his death, raise their three boys alone and pursue a career. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS









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L.A. bomb plot. Terrorist sentenced to 37 years

Algerian terrorist Ahmed Ressam was sentenced Wednesday to 37 years in prison for plotting to bomb Los Angeles International Airport at the turn of the new millennium.

Ressam, who had trained at al-Qaeda's training camps in Afghanistan, was arrested in December 1999 when a customs agent noticed that he appeared suspicious as he drove off a ferry from Canada onto Washington's Olympic Peninsula. A resulting search turned up a trunk full of explosives.

The Justice Department, which previously sought sentences of 35 years and of life in prison, recommended a life sentence again because of the mass murder Ressam intended to inflict. In those pre-

Malnutrition

No jail for nurses who let U.S. teen drop to 28 lbs.

Two U.S. nurses have been sentenced to probation in the malnutrition death of a 14-year-old girl who had cerebral palsy and weighed

A vexing case

Ressam's case has been vexing because he started co-operating after he was convicted. Information he provided helped convict several terror suspects and contributed to the arrest of suspected Osama bin Laden lieutenant Abu Zubaydah.

Sept. 11, 2001, days, it was "a virtually unimaginable horror," Assistant U.S. Attorney Helen Brunner told the court.

Brunner also argued that Ressam continues to pose a threat, as evidenced by his recantation of prior co-operation. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

28 pounds when she died.

Mary Kilby and Kathryn Williams were sentenced in Ohio on Wednesday and will have to surrender their nursing licenses.

The two women had pleaded no contest to failing to provide for a functionally impaired child and had faced up to a year and a half in prison. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Judge refuses to delay inquest into teen's death

Ashley Smith.

Government accused of trying to put a lid on disturbing jailhouse videos that document abuse of troubled teen

An inquest into the prison death of a deeply troubled teenager will be able to proceed after a judge on Wednesday rejected the federal government's last-ditch request for an emergency stay.

The decision came amid assertions prison authorities were simply trying to cover up the horrific treatment meted out to Ashley Smith that was captured on video.

In a ruling that took about an hour to decide, Divisional Court Justice Joan Lax dismissed the stay motion.

Correctional Service Canada asked for the emergency halt to the much-delayed inquest to give it time to get the courts to review a ruling by the presiding coroner that the videos should be public.

Video

In arguing the stay, Correctional Service said the videos have not yet been put into evidence and so should stay out of the public eye until such time as that happens to avoid any tainting of the jury pool.

The videos at issue show, among other things, guards duct-taping Smith to an airplane seat, and forcibly injecting her with "chemical restraints" against her will.

Lawyer Julian Falconer, who speaks for Smith's family, accused the government of trying to put a lid on videos that document some of the abuse she suffered.

of the abuse she suffered.
"I insist on Correctional
Services being called an abuser," Falconer told Lax.

"This case is really about Correctional Service Canada taking all conceivable steps so that certain videos don't make it to the public record," he said.

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Jamaica takes direct hit from Hurricane Sandy

Tidal surge. Kingston feels wrath of fierce storm, while Cuba and Florida put on alert

Hurricane Sandy's howling winds and pelting rains lashed precarious shanty-towns, stranded travellers and downed power lines Wednesday as it roared across Jamaica on a course that would take it on to Cuba and then possibly

threaten Florida and the Bahamas.

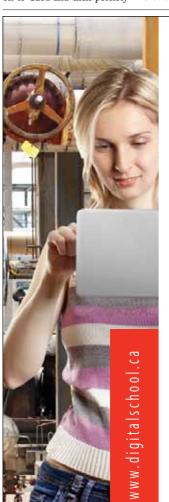
Sandy's death toll was at least two. An elderly man was killed in Jamaica when he was crushed by a boulder that rolled onto his clapboard house, police reported. Earlier Wednesday, a woman in Haiti was swept away by a rushing river she was trying to cross.

The storm hit Jamaica as

The storm hit Jamaica as a category 1 hurricane then strengthened as it spun over open sea toward Cuba. U.S. forecasters said it had max-

imum sustained winds of 150 km/h late Wednesday and might grow into a category 2 storm before going ashore.

Flash floods and mudslides were a threat for this debt-shackled tropical island of roughly 2.7 million inhabit-ants. Sea water washed over the streets of southern coastal towns like Port Royal, a depressed fishing village near Kingston's airport. Hurricane watches have been issued for parts of Cuba, Florida and The Bahamas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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South Carolina

A public amnesty with a bang

Sheriffs in five South Carolina counties are offering people a chance to turn in explosives, no questions asked.

Officials have set aside this week as Explosives Amnesty Week.
People can call to have

any explosives, ammunition, weapons, bomb materials or military ordnance removed from their property.

Certified bomb technicians will respond to remove and destroy the hazardous materials. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Macedonia

Coin smuggler sentenced

An American who was caught trying to leave Macedonia with more than 200 ancient coins has been convicted and given a twoyear suspended sentence.

In Wednesday's ruling, the court also banned 45-year-old Candace Lynn Dunlap, a nurse from Meridian, Alabama, from returning to Macedonia for 10 years. The associated press

president's home stokes pre-election controversy

Ukraine's president opened up his home to TV cameras, he presented a cosy place with a small office just big enough for his grandchildren to play in. But his critics point to strong evidence he actually lives in a luxurious, marble-columned mansion with a golf course, helipad and ostrich en-

The reported grandeur is becoming a campaign issue in a country quickly getting fed up with widespread corruption. Critics have painted Viktor Yanukovych as a leader who basks in splendor while his main political opponent, for-mer prime minister Yulia Tymoshenko, is locked up in prison on charges the West has called

"Victor Yanukovych's main goal is not to be president but the No.1 oligarch in Ukraine."

Political commentator Vitaly Portnikov

politically-motivated.

Yanukovych has refused to answer questions about the house or the vast park where it sits but an opposition activist recently broke into the prop-erty and took several photographs of an opulent palace guarded by heavy security. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Winnipeg. Police chief won't retract comments

Winnipeg's new police chief is standing by his comments on religion after telling a Christian magazine that prayer could reduce crime in the Manitoba capital.

The article led to com-plaints that Clunis was

mixing religion and public office. Clunis explained at a media briefing on Wednesday that he was speaking to a Christian publication and targeting his message to that audience.

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Vancouver. A bold tattoo stunt with a few twists

Nothing says family bonding more than letting your brother give you a tattoo while riding a wooden roller-coaster.

Modern-day daredevils Burnaby Q. Orbax and Sweet Pepper Klopek, of the touring freak show Monsters of Schlock, did just that Wednesday on one of B.C.'s most iconic landmarks.

'Having never tattooed anybody and having access to the oldest running wooden roller-coaster in Canada, we decided (Wednesday) would be the best day to achieve that dream," Orbax said before the stunt at Playland at

Orbax held the tattoo machine, while the ink cap was duct-taped to Klopek's hands.

After the second round in the coaster, the brothers high-fived and hugged. The end result: a smiley face with a really long tongue.

"He did a good job. I'm proud of him," Sweet Pepper Klopek said of his new tattoo on his upper right knee. "Who thought you could do that, eh?"

The five-time Guinness World Record breakers are sure they can top this stunt next year. PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS/ METRO IN VANCOUVER

Ukraine. Questions about Trump pitches \$5M proposal to Obama



al estate mogul Donald Trump offered on Wednes llion to a charity of Barack Obama's choice if the president releases ort records. slaven vlasic/getty images file

Election overture.

Real estate magnate challenges president to divulge passport and college records

Donald Trump has a deal for President Barack Obama - if he releases his college and pass-port records, the real estate mogul will contribute \$5 million to a charity of Obama's choice.

Trump made the announcement Wednesday in a video posted to his Twitter account. He called Obama "the least transparent president in the history of this country."

Trump has endorsed Repub-

lican Mitt Romney in the presidential race. Trump drew broad publicity last year for questioning whether Obama was born in the U.S. and eligible to be president, forcing Obama to release his long-form birth certificate.

In the video, Trump said he was proud to have pushed Obama to release the birth certificate or "whatever it may be." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



When good defeats evil

Civic workers prepare to immerse an idol of Hindu goddess Durga brought by devotees into the Brahmaputra River, Wednesday, in Gauhati, India. The immersion of idols marks the end of the five-day festival that commemorates the slaying of a demon king by lionriding, 10-armed goddess Durga, marking the triumph of good over evil. Anupam nath/the associated press



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Party in flux: Can the Liberal centre hold?

The days are numbered for most Liberal party leaders in Canada, with leadership elections looming across the country. At this time of change, Metro asked: Are Liberal parties dying or renewing? Who is going to determine their



JESSICA SMITH

Stephen Taylor, National Citizens Coalition, Conservative

"I don't know if I want to be the one to predict the death of an institution that's had electoral success in 80 of the past 100 years, but I will say we are seeing a federal Liberal party and six provincial Liberal parties that are going through electing a leader right now. That doesn't happen, gener-

ally, with successful parties.
"There's an interesting thesis by (NDP strategist) Jamey Heath. He said that in Western democracies these centrist parties who don't really stand for bold issues, either on the left or the right, and just occupy the centre and rule as administrators, have given way to parties on the left and on the right.

"Canadians and citizens worldwide are more con-

nected to the daily grind and the daily debate of what's happening in their respective legislatures, via 24-hour news, via social media, through the Internet.... It's a market that emphasizes and enables the politicians that are actually selling ideas, rather than just administration, just keeping the lights on.'

Sheila Copps, former deputy prime minister, Liberal

that they were in the graveyard. So there's cyclical

ical enemies would like to see them die. The (federal) Liberals in the last election were reduced to third-party status and Stephen Harper uses every opportunity to go after the Liberals because he sees them as a long-term enemy."

at the moment the Liberals are

"I think that their polit-

on the upswing.

lan Capstick, NDP strategist,

coast to coast to coast. I don't think it's going to happen from the provinces up. Fundamentally, over the course of Liberal history, it has always been the federal Liberal leader who has very much been the face, the brand and the ideological force behind the party.

"(Liberals) have political parties who are down a few leaders. I don't think we've got rats jumping from a sinking ship. We're seeing that natural making and a balanced approach between social justice and fiscal responsibility remains strong. As long as that is the case, Liberal parties will remain relevant."

Martha Hall-Findlay, former Liberal MP

"This is exactly how political parties renew themselves and grow. The leadership contest will encourage Liberals to come to grips with what the federal Liberal party really not everyone will agree, so - that's what real renewal across Canada. "It's naive to think that somehow the results of the 2011 election represent any kind of new equilibrium in Canadian politics. It has been in flux and has remained in flux — meaning there is room in Canadian politics for the

near dead. I think it would be

absurd, given the weight of

Canadian history and the en-

gagement of the Liberal party

and Liberal party adherents

Green party to grow and the parties that were hurt in 2011 to rebuild."

Peter Sherman, finance critic,

Ontario PCs
"The way Liberals operate
is usually about demonstrating what they want the public to perceive as their own largesse in creating projects handing out money, picking winner companies and stimulating them, as opposed to sectors (of the economy) - and saying, 'Look how much we've invested.' It's taxpayer dollars, and I think people are on to them. Liberal parties operating more for their own benefit rather than for the benefit of the people seem to be falling

Answers were edited for clarity and





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Hamas pummels Israel with rocket fire

Gaza offensive. Israeli officials claim militants were emboldened by visit of foreign leader

Hamas militants in the Gaza Strip fired dozens of rockets and mortar shells into southern Israel on Wednesday in the heaviest bombardment on the area in months, drawing ominous Israeli threats of retaliation and dangers of escalation.

The violence came a day after a landmark visit to Gaza by the emir of Qatar. Israeli officials suggested the visit, the first by a head of state to the Hamas-ruled territory, emboldened the militant group.

The rocket fire began shortly after the emir left Gaza late Tuesday and continued through the night. Israeli officials said more than 80 projectiles were fired, and Hamas claimed responsibility for many of the

Daily life

"We can stay at home and just hear the noise of the war."

Tamara Cohen, resident of the border community of Ein Habesor

attacks

Israel responded with a series of airstrikes on rocket launchers, killing two Palestin an militants, according to Gaza medical officials. Two other Palestinians were killed Tuesday.

Hostilities in Gaza have been simmering for weeks, with militants sporadically firing rockets into Israel and the Israeli air force responding with airstrikes

with airstrikes.

Hamas officials said the emir urged Hamas to do everything possible to avoid violence with Israel. Israel's foreign minister, Avigdor Lieberman, suggested the visit had the opposite effect, and was instead "clear support for terror." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



New ultimatum

Iran weighs nuclear standoff

Iran is weighing a more confrontational strategy at possible renewed nuclear talks with world powers, threatening to boost uranium enrichment levels unless the West makes concessions to ease sanctions.

cessions to ease sanctions. Such a gambit — outlined by senior Iranian officials in interviews this week — could push Iran's nuclear program far closer to the "red line" set by the Israeli Prime Minister for possible military options.

But it also suggests that economic pressures and diplomacy have pushed Iran to seek relief from sanctions. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Casualties of war

Eight more killed in Iraqi insurgency

Iraqi insurgents launched a new wave of attacks targeting security forces and others across the country on Wednesday, killing eight people including a seven-year-old child, police and health officials said.

The insurgents attacked via drive-by shootings, snipers and roadside bombs, police said

bombs, police said.

The attacks came a day after insurgents attacked Shiite neighbourhoods in Baghdad with car bombs and mortar rounds, killing nine people and wounding 26.

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Jordan faces down terror, Arab Spring

The foiling of a planned al-Qaida terror plot in Jordan underscores a new subplot in the story of the Arab Spring: Things are heating up for King Abdullah II, a Westernoriented monarch who has run a business-friendly, pragmatic monarchy with some trappings of democracy.

Jordan, a key U.S. ally that sits at a strategic cross-roads between neighbouring Syria, Iraq, the Palestinian territories, Israel and Saudi Arabia, has so far weathered 22 months of street protests calling for a wider public say in politics.

But this week's announcement that Jordanian authorities had thwarted an al-Qaida plan to attack shopping malls and Western diplomatic missions in the country has raised fears that extremists could take advantage of growing calls for change to foment violence.

The king also has been working overtime to fend off a host of domestic challenges, including a Muslim Brotherhood boycott of parliamentary elections, increasing opposition from his traditional Bedouin allies and an inability to keep the Syrian civil war from spilling over the border.



So far, Abdullah has largely maintained control, partly by relinquishing some of his powers to parliament and amending the country's 60-year-old constitution. His Western-trained security forces have been able to keep protests from getting out of hand. And most in the opposition remain loyal to the king, pressing for reforms but not his removal.

The stakes are high: Abdullah is a close friend of the United States and has been at the forefront in its war on terrorism, including in Afghanistan. Jordan serves as a buffer zone to Saudi Arabia and to Israel, a friend under a peace treaty signed in 1994.

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SPEAKING IN SEVERAL TONGUES

2011 census reveals more Canadians are speaking at least two languages at home compared to 2006 numbers; Punjabi and Tagalog are surging, while French and aboriginal languages are on the decline

Bilingualism is surging in Canada, but not necessarily in the country's two official languages.

Statistics Canada released the last batch of data from the 2011 census on Wednes-day, this time focusing on about 200 languages that make up the linguistic portrait of the country.

The data suggest that multiculturalism is not simply an abstract concept to describe a motley collection of diverse communities.

Rather, it is a reality for a growing number of families, even within the confines of

their own homes. The census shows that 17.5 per cent of the populaor 5.8 million individuals — speaks at least two languages at home. That's up from the 14.2 per cent of multilingual households multilingual households counted in the 2006 census, and an increase of 1.3 million people.

Of those 5.8 million, most of them speak English plus an immigrant language such as Punjabi or Mandarin. Less than a quarter — 1,387,190, to be precise — are using both French and English at home.

And aboriginal languages are in outright decline, with usage shrinking 1.7 per cent since 2006 — a loss of 3,620 people despite a concerted effort by many First Nations to revive their culture and language.

Yes, we see a diversity, but what we see clearly is ... we have all these transition phases where English and French are also spoken at home in addition to nonofficial languages," said Jean-



nt to speak in English, French and Serbian. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Pierre Corbeil, the agency's lead analyst on the languages part of the census.

"This doesn't happen only outside Quebec but in Quebec as well.'

Corbeil warned, however, that the data likely underestimate the increase in diversity over the past few years. That's because Statistics Canada had to change

the way it collects language data after Prime Minister Stephen Harper scrapped the long-form census in 2010.

Wednesday's information came from the mandatory short form that went to every household in Canada. In the past, language was in the long form that went to 20 per cent of households, and was framed in a different context.

The 2011 census numbers suggest that language diversity has been increasing at just half the rate as noted in the 2006 census, but data from Citizenship and Immigration Canada suggest the pace of change is at least the same, Corbeil said.

The census shows that the most common immigrant language in Canada was Pun-

jabi. When Punjabi speakers are grouped together with others who speak a closely related language such as Urdu, their numbers total 1,180,000.

Tagalog, the language of Filipinos, saw the biggest surge, growing by 64 per cent since the last census was taken in 2006.

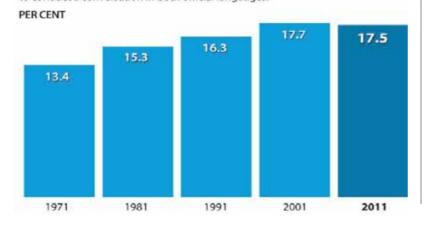
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Selected highlights from Wednesday's Statistics Canada release of 2011 census data, focused on language:

- One in five Canadians some 6.6 million people
 — reported speaking a language other than English or French at home; 191 distinct languages were among those identified as either a mother tongue or a home language.
- Nearly 10 million people said they could conduct a conversation in French, up from 9.6 million five years earlier; however, as a proportion of the population, those able to speak French slipped to 30.1 per cent, down from 30.7 per cent in 2006.
- The number of people who spoke Mandarin at home grew by almost 51 per cent from 2006 to 2011. Arabic grew by 47 per cent; Hindi by 44 per cent; the Creole languages by 42 per cent.
- In Toronto, Canada's most populous city, 1.8 million people — about 32.2 per cent of the population - reported speaking an immigrant language at
- 5.8 million people, about 17.5 per cent of the population, reported speaking at least two languages at home, up from 14.2 per cent in 2006.

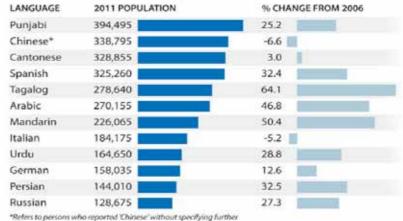
BILINGUALISM RATES

A look at the proportion of Canadians who reported being able to conduct a conversation in both official languages:



TOP IMMIGRANT LANGUAGES

A look at the top non-official languages spoken most often at home:

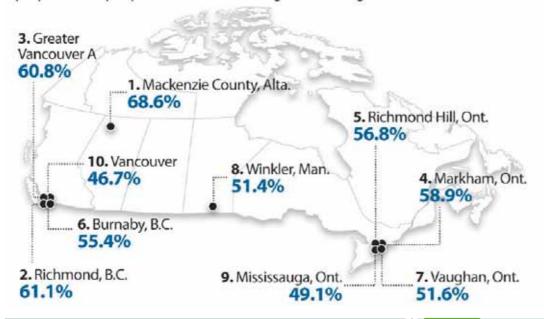


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A DIVERSITY OF LANGUAGES

A look at the communities (population 10,000 or more) with the highest proportion of people whose mother tongue is not English or French:





Multiculturalism on display in language-sharing groups

Not even the relentless throb of a hip-hop beat can drown out the sounds of a typical Tuesday night upstairs at Toronto's Rivoli nightclub.

The top floor of the bustling bar echoes each week with the staccato clack of German consonants, the melodic lilt of Japanese vowels and persistent peals of laughter as more than a hundred aspiring language students struggle to master their new tongues.

The students — from all walks of life and ranging in age from early 20s to late 70s — are members of Toronto Babel, an informal language exchange program that has been giving the city's international community a chance

to speak in new and native tongues alike for the past three years.

The din of different languages is loudest in Toronto, where 1.8 million people reported speaking an immigrant language at home, according to fresh 2011 census numbers released Wednesday. Vancouver ranked a distant second with 711,515 people reporting an at-home preference for a language other than English or French, Statistics Canada reported.

Cantonese and Punjabi ranked highest on the list of languages in Toronto, along with other Chinese languages, Urdu, Tamil and Tagalog, which originates in the Philippines.

Eduardo Costa, 39, was recruited in the group's earliest days after advertising online to find an English conversation partner. The initial group of a dozen people quickly began to grow, and Costa found the people he met there began to fill the void left by the friends and relatives he left behind in his home country of Brazil.

"When you immigrate, you lose your family, your friends are still there," he says. "This group became my first new family in Canada."

Smaller Babel groups have sprung up in Ottawa and Kitchener, Ont., Babel co-leader Anna Shalaginova said.

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Immersion still sought after

Immersion options in Canada's second official language are broader than ever.

The original programs have been expanded to accommodate a wider range of students, while a new program specifically for kids of francophone families is now in high demand.

The idea has broad national appeal, according to figures from advocacy group Canadian Parents for French, which says more than 30 per cent of students in every province outside of Quebec were enrolled in some form of French-as-a-second-language program in the 2010-11 school year. THE CANADIAN PRESS



1 up/down. More Canadians speaking French

A sign on the wall of Stephane Wild's restaurant in Winnipeg on Oct. 5. Nearly 10 million people reported being able to speak French in 2011, up slightly from 2006 but down as a proportion of the Canadian population.

Prading out. Just a few native languages still going strong

A stop sign in Mohawk is seen on the Tyendinaga First Nation reserve east of Belleville, Ont., on Oct. 11. Of the more than 60 registered First Nation languages, only a relative handful — such as Cree, Ojibway, Oji-Cree and Dene — remain strong and viable. COLIN PERKEL/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Climbing in numbers. Tagalog-speaking population growing

Nearly 279,000 people reported speaking Philippine-based Tagalog most often at home, compared with 170,000 in 2006, an increase of 64 per cent — the largest increase of all the reported languages. JEFF HODSON/METRO IN VANCOUVER

IMMIGRANT LANGUAGES BY CITY

The top non-official languages in Canada's largest metropolitan areas:

TORONTO	96	MONTREAL	96	VANCOUVER	96
Cantonese	8.8	Arabic 17.2		Punjabi 17.7	
Punjabi	8.0	Spanish 15,2		Cantonese 16.0	
Chinese*	7.0	Italian 8.1		Chinese® 12.2	
Urdu	5.9	Chinese* 5.7		Mandarin 11.8	
Tamil	5.7	Creole 5.4		Tagalog 6.7	
CALGARY	96	EDMONTON	6	OTTAWA-GATINEAU	96
Punjabi	12.1	Tagalog 11.8		Arabic 20.4	
Tagalog	10.4	Punjabi 10.9		Spanish 8.1	
Chinese*	9.2	Chinese* 8.9		Chinese* 7.5	
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Spanish	7.9	Cantonese 6.8		Mandarin 4.4	

*Refers to persons who reported 'Chinese' without specifying further

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gain Wednesday since going public in May, jumping 19 per cent to close at \$23.23 US after

Google and its street-view cameras already have taken users to narrow cobblestone alleys in Spain using a tricycle, inside the Smithsonian with a push cart and to B.C.'s snow-covered slopes by snowmobile.

The search giant now has brought its all-seeing eyes — mounted for the first time on a backpack - down into the Grand Canyon, showcasing the attraction's most popular hiking trails on the South Rim and other walkways.

It's the latest evolution in mapping technology for the company.

"Any of these sort of iconic, cultural, historical locations that are not accessible by road is where we want to go," said Ryan Falor, product manager at Google. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Ottawa cracks down on prepaid plastic

New regulations.

Card issuers will have to be transparent about fees and conditions

Ottawa is stepping in with new rules for the largely unregulated prepaid credit card market.

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty announced Wednesday that in the future, issuers prepaid cards will not be able to impose expiry dates and must be upfront about hidden fees and conditions.

The move is part of the government's expanding code of conduct measures to govern credit and debit transactions, that had previously not applied to the relatively new prepaid market.

We have done a lot of regulation with respect to debit and credit cards. We haven't

"In our view, it was inappropriate for financial institutions to have cards go dormant."

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty

done much with respect to prepaid cards," Flaherty said. While still a small segment

of the market, prepaid plastic has become an option for consumers without conventional credit or debit cards, young adults, and for parents who want to introduce their children to using credit while limiting the risk of theft and over-spending.
But the sector has also

faced criticism for exorbitant hidden fees that reduced their face value and fooled customers. These can include monthly or annual fees, main-



tenance costs, as well as ATM

"In our view, it was inappropriate for financial institutions to have cards go dormant. For example, people would

cards as gifts for their birthdays or whatever, not realize that the \$200 on the card would expire over a certain period of time," Flaherty said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Summer babies have tough crawl to the top: Study

Do you have a summer birth-day? It could be a speed bump on the way to the corner office. A new study from the University of British Columbia's business school finds that summer babies are less likely to be

Researchers at the Sauder School of Business checked out the birth dates of 375 chief executive officers from S&P 500 companies between 1992 and 2009. They found that only about six per cent were born in

By contrast, people born in March and April represented more than 12 per cent and 10 per cent, respectively, of the sample.

It seems that summer babies have a tougher crawl to the top because of what researchers call the "birthdate effect." That refers to the way children are grouped by age in school.

"It's amazing," said finance professor Maurice Levi, coauthor of the study. "You're a 50- or 60-year-old CEO and it all goes back to when you started school, if you were the big guy in class or the little scrawny guy in the back corner."

In the U.S. cut-off dates for school admission fall between September and January. Levi and his team determined that those CEOs in the sample born between June and July were typically the youngest in their class. Those born in March and April were the oldest

The same would be true in Canada, where children born in January and December of the same year would be







KEEPING UP WITH BLOODSUCKING **VERMIN**



Don't be alarmed, but this column may be covered in bedbugs.

I'm not entirely sure if bedbugs have infiltrated my apartment, but I was bitten by

SOMETHING recently, so like all chewed-on city dwellers I've been panicked that it could be the little bloodsuckers.

That means if you've touched this column, you should freeze it, steam it, fumigate it, poison it, microwave it, Holy Water it, and simmer it in a white wine sauce for 40 minutes, stirring occasionally. Even then, that will only stun the little bug(ger)s, because they're the insect equivalent of The Incred-

Once nearly eradicated, bedbugs have made a comeback worthy of a B-list actor in a Tarantino flick.

And they're everywhere.

Online bedbug registries for pre-screening apartments and hotels are useless, because all you learn is that bedbugs are omnipresent — like the body snatchers — and there's nothing us foolish humans can do about it. (Pro tip: If a bedbug rates a location as eight out of 10 or higher and is raving about the buffet, steer clear.)

Bedbugs are filling their ick quotient so well that I looked at the welts on my arm and hoped they were from something pleasant, like a spider. If an exterminator looked at my skin and said, "Actually, that's from a wolf" I'd say, "Oh, thank goodness. Do we spray for that?"

There is hope, however. I've been reading up on bedbugs, as one does when you swear you can feel them on your skin at every waking moment. They can be fought, but you need to know your enemy, so here are some myths about the creatures and the reality behind it. Happy hunting!

Myth #1: Bedbugs are invisible.

Reality: Bedbugs are seldom seen because they only come out at night. They are actually several feet long and live in your closet. Telltale signs include a viscous trail of

slime and opened canisters of Pringles.

Myth #2: Bedbugs are a sign of uncleanliness. **Reality:** Bedbugs can live anywhere from the poorest, most squalid apartment to the cleanest hairpiece on the richest Trump. Bedbugs are attracted not to dirt, but sin, which is why they live in your bed. They will migrate to the living room immediately if you turn on the Kar-

Myth #3: Bedbug bites come in threes. Reality: Bedbugs know you know this, so they some-times throw in a fourth bite and scurry off, giggling. Myth #4: You need an exterminator to get rid of bed-

Reality: All you need for a successful bedbug kill is a shoe. Beat until you see telltale black and blue markings They'll still be alive at that point, but they'll know who's boss. A Nike shoe will doubly impress them with your alpha-ness, especially later that night when they're nibbling on your earlobe.

And now you know. Sleep tight!

rney signals which jar co sarney to tell you that you've got bedbugs — grab a shoe and start sw

Psy, this is UN Style



South Korea connection

UN boss horses around with Psy

UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon got some dance lessons from compatriot South Korean pop sensation Psy.

On a visit to the United Nations in New York Wednesday, the rapper, born Park Jae-sang, attempted to teach the world's top diplomat the invisible horse trot dance from his global viral hit Gangnam Style. METRO

UN chief's viewpoint



"I'm a bit iealous. Until two days ago n someone

told me I am the most famous Korean in the world. Now I have to relinquish. I have no regrets."

UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon

Singer's viewpoint



"To be here and he knows me, even the fact that he

knows me is so touching right now and he's saying he saw my video, he counted my video views."

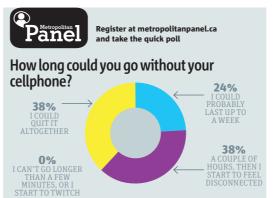
South Korean rapper Psy on meeting the head of the UN

Gangnam engages

Why Ban wanted to meet Psy

Ban's spokesperson Martin Nesirky told reporters that while the secretary general deals with issues such as Syria, he also considers it important to engage differ-

ent parts of society. "He firmly believes music has great power, particularly in helping to overcome intolerance," he said. "It helps to reach out to audiences in a way that many other forms of culture cannot do." METRO



lems #yeg

Highlight of my day so far was fully completing the Metro crossword in one class #sosad #Edmontonprob-

@ThisBirdsDay:

Um... #yeg, I just saw a snow flake. I need some time to myself now. #imnotreadyforthis

@samanthadrs:

There's nothing better than having a cab driver that likes to rap! #yeg #taxi

@atravas:

That awkward moment when u walk to the men's bathroom because your too busy texting. Another reason texting ruins lives #yeq #ualberta

Coworker: "There's nothing to do in this city." Me: "What do you like doing?" Coworker: "I dunno." WELL MAYBE THAT'S THE PROBLEM THERE. #yeg



A date with The Don makes for a unique Halloween experience

Mobster Ball. Murder mystery dinner theatre perfect for the season



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Imagine this: It's a chilly night in Edmonton, there's a certain electricity in the air, a quiet stillness that has your senses heightend in anticipation.

You hit the highway, the comfort of the city lights fade in the rear view mirror.

There's nothing but empty, frostbitten farmers' fields surrounding you and you find yourself trying to quiet the little voice in your head that's recalling every scary movie you've ever seen.

But, you have to keep going because you have a dinner date with The Don.

It's all going down at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 27 at the Stony Plain Golf Course (18 Fairway Drive, Stony Plain). Murder mystery actors perform around guests trying to keep their dinner down while digesting the details of an unfortunate incident.

"I wanted to use a venue that was small enough to keep the performance intimate, but big enough to make it a good, interactive production," says event mastermind Angela Watt, who is also the owner and lead planner for Sociable Events.

This is the first time Watt

Detail

- Prizes will be awarded for the best and worst who-done-it quess.
- Stony Plain is about a half hour drive from Edmonton.
- More information on mobstersball eventbrite.ca.

has put on the Mobsters Ball. Her inspiration was to cre-

ate a unique Halloween event.

"I saw lots of Halloween related events that were geared towards a club, band, or families with children. I want to cater to people who don't fall into that category." Watt reveals. "This is a unique experience where guests get a sit down dinner, no DJ or fundraising agendas — just a no-strings attached entertainment experience."

Watt has certainly done her homework to make sure the entertainment is unforgettable. Through her event business,

Through her event business, she works closely with the theatre company putting on the production.

"I actually had to re-cast the performance three times," she confesses of the challenges in bringing the event to light. "I wanted to make sure the actors fit the mobster feel perfectly."

Tickets are \$75 and there is still a limited amount available. On top of the entertainment, tickets include an amazing meal created by Chef Kim Toye.

For more information or to book tickets, call 780-221-0114.



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Telegraph Books has released Sign Language 2, a sequel to their best-selling book of images of signs that are poorly translated, unfortunately worded and completely baffling. Readers sent in their snapshots of failed attempts of English that they spotted around the world, and now they are available for your perusing pleasure for less than the price of an exotic vacation.

MICHELLE CASTILLO







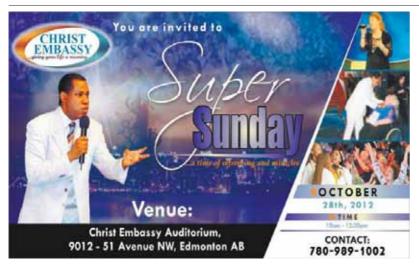
















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Moviegoers are in for some ear candy with the premiere of The Hobbit

New sound technology. Dolby's fresh system will make Peter Jackson's next film a sight to be heard

Middle-earth will sound more realistic in The Hobbit.

Dolby Laboratories Inc. and director Peter Jackson's Park Road Post Production anounced Wednesday that The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey will be mixed and released in Dolby Atmos, the company's immersive new sound system that features two extra arrays of overhead speakers and the ability to direct sounds to individual speakers inside movie theatres.

"(Jackson) felt it was going to make a big difference in how he tells stories," said Stuart Bowling, Dolby's senior technical marketing manager. "He doesn't want people to just go and observe his movies. He wants you to feel like you're



part of the experience of the stories that's he's trying to tell on the screen and allow you to be part of Middle-earth."

The director of the Oscarwinning The Lord of the Rings films adapted J.R.R. Tolkien's tale of Bilbo Baggins, set in the fictional realm of Middle-earth 60 years before The Lord of the Rings. Besides the standard 2D format.

Warner Bros. Pictures and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures are releasing the series in high-frame-rate 3D, IMAX and other 3D formats.

Bowling said Dolby's goal

and Back Again, are set for release Dec. 13, 2013, and July 18, 2014.

Other movies slated to be released in the Atmos format include Fox's Chasing Mavericks

The second and third films,

The Hobbit: The Desolation of

Smaug and The Hobbit: There

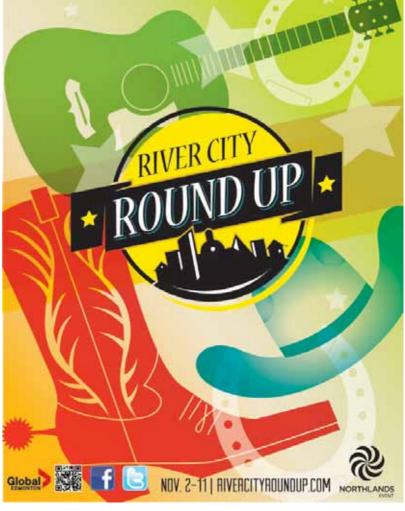
leased in the Atmos format include Fox's Chasing Mavericks and Life of Pi. Disney-Pixar's Brave was the first film to debut with the audio format earlier this year.

Bowling said the company expects more than 15 films to be released in Atmos next year and hoped to have the system in 1,000 theatres by the end of next year.

"Dolby Atmos is fantastic from a sound quality position," said John Neill, head of sound at Park Road Post Production. "We can now hear full range surround speakers, meaning that when we pan from the front to surround, the sound does not change in quality. The overhead speakers give us the opportunity to place the theatre patron really in the location."

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is to have the Atmos platform installed in 80 to 100 theatres

in time for The Hobbit: An

Unexpected Journey, which is

scheduled to premiere on Dec.

Gerard Butler has new respect for the folks who hang 10

Chasing Mavericks.

Actor tried riding some of the most dangerous waves in the U.S. to get into character for film about surfing

JOEL AMOS

Vorld News in Hollywood

Gerard Butler had only the most basic appreciation for surfing before he set to work on Chasing Mavericks — and that's putting it mildly.

"I had surfed about three or four times in my life," Butler admits.

The Scottish actor knew he'd have to amp up his game if he wanted to properly capture the essence of surfing great Frosty Hesson, who taught teenager Jay Moriarity (played by newcomer Jonny Weston in the film) to ride mavericks, which are considered the

"It's incredibly meditative and spiritual. I found

When you get up on that wave and become one

the whole experience really transformative.

with it, you just become one with nature."

Gerard Butler on learning how to surf like a pro for his role as surfing great Frosty Hesson in Chasing Mavericks.

Quoted

most dangerous waves in the country.

Not one to shy away from a challenge, Butler dove right in - and paid

for it with an epic wipeout.

"Jonny Weston and I both surfed mavericks. It was where I was taken down," Butler says with a

coy smile.
With the experience of getting pulled under a wall of water, his admiration for what these athletes do only intensified.

"It taught me a lesson. It's not a pleasant experience," he offers.

Even though that moment sent him to the hospital, Butler marvelled at the sport's ability to foster a Zen-like feeling in the surfers as they ride these incredibly dangerous monsters of water.

"It's incredibly medita-tive and spiritual," Butler explains.

"I found the whole ex-perience really transformative.

"When you get up on

that wave and become one with it, you just become one with nature.'

The second challenge facing the actor was portraying a real-life individ-ual, and Butler wanted to do Hesson justice as a complex person.

"He's a very philosophical character and he's wellread.

"So I wanted to play that guy who enjoys that, but at the same time, he har-bours a lot of pain," Butler

"There's the person you experience, but he also now knows the stories being told about him.

It was an effort that mirrored his last film, Machine Gun Preacher, also about a real, larger-than-life person-

ality.
"I experienced the same with Sam Childers," Butler explains.
"They become used to





telling their story to people who are interested in telling their story, rather than the person who was living the story."

Now that Butler has the experience under his belt, he looks back fondly on the moment he knew that Chasing Mavericks would be his next film — which happened to coincide with a completely different kind of lesson, which found him not in the water, but in the

sky.
"I was learning to fly a helicopter along the coast. I saw all the guys on surf-

boards.
"I was like, 'What am I thinking? I need to get a place in Malibu and I need to take this movie and learn how to surf!" Butler

"I touched down and called them and said, 'Let's do it!

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Hanks and Berry had their heads in the clouds with epic film

Rare opportunity.

Both actors relished the chance to play multiple and very different characters in Wachowski imagining



Actors love a challenge,

d News in Hollywood

So the idea of playing as many as six characters across very different time periods — from the 1800s to the post-apocalyptic future must have been exhilarating for Tom Hanks, Halle Berry and their Cloud Atlas co-stars, right?

"I thought they were all a b—, to tell you the truth.

They were all tough," Hanks says with a laugh.

But in all seriousness, playing all those characters — and putting on all the makeup involved in distinguishing them — was far from daunting for Berry.

"They weren't tough at

"Honestly, it was like the most fun to stretch.

"I got to play a white Jewish woman in 1930 like, when would I get to do that?" she asks.

"Like, you just don't get better than having to choose from all these unique people and charac-

"I'll never get to be an Asian man again, probably

One thing Hanks definitely wasn't worried about

was looking silly. That's something he stopped doing a long time ago, anyway. "I've had experiences on a number of occasions where we were going to shoot for something that was going to be very pre-

carious and sometimes it works," he says. "Like Castaway was a movie where we thought, 'We are breaking every rule here. Is anybody going to give a s— about this guy when he never talks and he's on an island and all it is



"I just don't know if the lottery will put my name in another venture like this. To be in a movie that's going to envelop these concepts, where you will need one person to play six people - I doubt that they're going to make it again in two years."

Halle Berry on the bittersweet feeling she had when she finished her work in Cloud Atlas and realized she probably wouldn't get another opportunity like this in her

(is) about falling coconuts?'

"Every movie is a huge minefield that you're walking, not if it's going to be a success but if it's going to be a cohesive story that

"In this case, they just threw so deep and it was so attractive if only for that reason, that you throw your lot in. Otherwise what are you going to do? Only make movies that are guaranteed to work?

"Well, guess what, we could be sitting here talking about Forrest Gump Six, which is a lot better than Forrest Gump Five. Who wants to do that for the rest of their lives?"

But the release of Cloud Atlas is a bit bittersweet, at least for Berry, as she worries she'll never do another film like it.

"I think in my lifetime it's going to take someone to be wildly visionary and willing take the risks," she says of the independently financed \$100 million film, directed by Lana and Andy Wachowski and Tom

Twyker.
"Not to say it can't be done, I just don't know

Paparazzi woes

Berry on playing a journalist

One of the six characters Halle Berry plays in Cloud Atlas — and one of her more prominent roles in the films - is investigative journalist Luisa Rey. So did the role give her any sympathy for the folks who spend their time investigating her? Not so much. "I think journalism definitely has a place in our society, especially good journalism, but I think we've also become a society where we're now focused on little children and what kids are wearing, and that is hard for me to swallow," Berry says. "There are so many more important things to write about in life than what fouryear-olds are wearing, and showing kids going to and from school and doing their normal, everyday life seems like such an intrusion, and I think it's taking advantage of what journalism is supposed media is supposed to be all about. I'm wildly frustrated by that." to be about and what the

The paparazzi have so frustrated Berry that she's measured her options of how



best to combat the problem and came up with only one possible solution. "We are in a time now where I'm actually having to fight to leave the country that I love because I'm unable to provide a private, secure, safe place for my daughter to grow. Times have changed," she says.

"I've realized that all I can really do about it is to remove myself from the situation, because I keep running up against walls that tell me in order to change this I've got to somehow figure out a way to change the Constitution. And I'm smart enough to know I probably can't do

if the lottery will put my name in another venture like this.

"To be in a movie that's going to envelop these concepts, where you will need one person to play six people — I doubt that they're going to make it again in two years, because

we're doing it now."

Hanks agrees with the sentiment, adding that Atlas may

spoiled the actors, who have to return to more traditional films now.

"We are all spoiled because we always said this: 'The next time we're in a movie, we're just going to play one person," Hanks

"He might have as many six costume changes, but it's not going to be the same as playing all of these metronews.ca Thursday, October 25, 2012 **SCENE**

Sitcom king Chuck Lorre's wit, wisdom hidden in his shows

Imparting wisdom.

Hollywood's superstar writer drops little messages into single frames of all of his hit shows

Chuck Lorre - whose trio of hits includes Two and a Half Men, The Big Bang Theory and Mike & Molly — isn't just a towering comedy mogul. He's also one of the most

widely distributed writers in the world. His tart, often darkly funny dispatches reach a weekly audience of more than 30 million.

Granted, the number of people who actually read these tiny treatises is another question. Each of Lorre's posts appears on-screen for a single fleeting second at the end of his shows, in the form of so-called vanity cards — a graphic ID for the show's production company.

The Chuck Lorre Productions vanity card has been an outlet for Lorre's random observations since when alert viewers of the ABC sitcom Dharma & Greg began noticing fine print on the screen which, by freezeframing their VCR, they could dwell on long enough to read.

Among Lorre's propositions on Vanity Card No. 1: "I believe that the Laws of Karma do not apply to show business, where good things happen to bad people on a fairly regular basis" and "I believe that when ABC reads this, I'm gonna be in biiiig

trouble."
As the years passed, Lorre kept issuing a fresh card for every episode of each show with his latest reflections, revelations and rants.

On one, he listed "words that confused the CBS censor' (a frequent object of his ire). Among them: kumquat, man-hole, cunctation and Dick Butkus.

On another, he recalled long-ago encounter with a 16-year-old guitar prodigy named Pat Metheny. It was a reality check that led to his eventually ditching his music career to "find work in television. Nobody's a prodigy

Now 333 of those musings - including a few that were censored by the network — have been gathered by Lorre in a rather magnificent coffeetable book, What Doesn't Kill Us Makes Us Bitter, complete with lavish illustrations and even a sewn-in bookmark, a courtesy usually reserved for cookbooks and Bibles.

In the foreword, Lorre explains that his vanity-card mission has been "to use prime-time television to chronicle an unraveling life and raveling career in subliminal, one-second increments.'

And with his output already available on his website, he decided the book should be graphically ambitious "in a desperate attempt to add value to something that was never intended to have any."

Lorre may come across as wryly self-dismissive, but in a recent interview, he says

he takes his scribblings very seriously.
"I started this because it

was an opportunity to try and write prose and I found it very satisfying and very different than writing a script. This is much more personal. And at times," he adds with one of his frequent what-ya-gonna-do? shrugs, "it's gotten too personal.

You want personal? Just consider Card No. 337, first aired on March 31, 2011. "Never forget," Lorre wrote in part, "that God/The Universe is determined to kill you by whatever means necessary."

That sentiment was vented while erratic, hard-partying star Charlie Sheen was clashing bitterly with Lorre and the show's studio, Warner Bros.

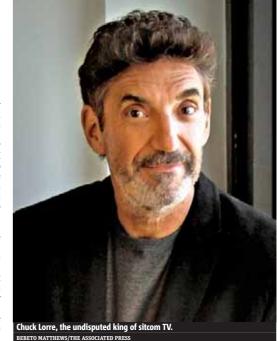
Only a few weeks earlier, they had been forced to fire Sheen and cut short the show's eighth season.

While being bashed by Sheen all over the media ("I think I'm fairly immune to name-calling now," he wrote in Card No. 345), Lorre was under the gun to salvage TV's top-rated comedy and keep his other shows on track.

How did he cope? "I threw myself into the work even more," he says.

"The only thing I could do was work harder.

"It was a terrible time. It was awful," he goes on. "I was really heartbroken by how it all played out. And angry. He was my friend. We were all concerned about him. We thought he was going to die."



With a wiry frame, a trim beard and a head of tangled curls, Lorre is self-taught as a sitcom scribe. Now 60, the Long Island, N.Y. native got the itch to write for TV in his mid-30s, after a decade or more spent touring the country as a less-than-wildly-successful guitarist-songwriter.

He hit the jackpot in 2003. when he co-created Two and a Half Men. In 2007, he hit it again when he co-created The Big Bang Theory.

Then, in 2010, he won the triple crown with Mike & Molly. All were huge successes and established Lorre as the biggest sitcom magnate since Norman Lear's reign in the 1970s with such blockbusters as All in the Family and Sanford and Son.

New deal

Chuck Lorre has been feeling a new level of confidence of late.

- Big deal. Now Lorre's horizons are expanding further. He recently signed a four-year development and production deal with Warner Bros. that covers broadcast, cable and films. (Lots more reach for his vanity cards?)
- Quote. "I'm developing a drama series, believe it or not," he says. "It's terrifying but exhilarating: Freed from the tyranny



Tom Wolfe returns to the big city

Like a prize-winning reporter, fame follows Tom Wolfe, even when he swaps the white suit for a blue blazer or when he visits some strip club in Miami as research yes, research - for his new

"I was the only man with a necktie," he says with a chuckle, back in his trademark white during a recent interview at his Manhattan apartment. "They seat you in these little couches, and it was like a furniture show room - all these pieces of furniture would stretch long for maybe 40 feet. So I'm sitting there and this guy, must have been a bouncer, came over and said, 'Hey, you're Tom Wolfe aren't you?'"

Millions know the meaning of Tom Wolfe: The Bonfire of the Vanities and The Right Stuff, the Me Decade and Radical Chic, the punched-up prose and the blaze of white.

At age 81, his hair is thinned and his posture stooped, but the face remains impish and his manner wide-eyed and boyish at all the amazing things that happen - the kinds of stories, he likes to say, that you can't make up. His latest scoops appear in

Back to Blood, his first novel in eight years. It's another big city tale in the tradition of Bonfire, his gleeful panorama of 1980s New York. Back to Blood features Wolfe's usual cocktail of sex, class and colour, from a Cuban-American policeman to a WASP newspaper editor to a Russian oli-

You don't have to ask what Wolfe's been up to the past few years. For the most part, it's in the book. Not just a strip club, but City Hall and Little Havana, the Miami Art Museum and Fisher Island.

Wolfe is a National Book Award winner, a bestseller

"There are still so many things I don't know about the city and I'd just like to see what's out there. ... I'll follow my usual technique of just taking in a scene and seeing what I find."

Tom WolfeOn what to expect from him in the future

and a mixed bag. He is a giant among non-fiction writers, but the rap on him as a novelist is that he thinks wide and not deep. The New Yorker's James Wood disparaged the new novel's "yards of flapping exaggeration." The New York Times' Michiko Kakutani thought the story "filled with heaps of contrivance and cartoonish antics," while

praising Wolfe's "new and improved ability to conjure

fully realized people."

Wolfe doesn't like to admit it, but reviews get to him. He remembers John Updike panning A Man in Full as "entertainment, not literature," and John Irving calling the same book "journalistic hyperbole described as fiction.'

Wolfe says he has at least six projects to keep him busy and not looking at reviews, including a nonfiction book on Charles Darwin and a fictional return to New York.

There are still so many things I don't know about the city and I'd just like to see what's out there," he says. "The Latin American population has increased enormously since Bonfire and Wall Street has changed enormously. I'll follow my usual technique of just taking in a scene and seeing what I find."

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Linsday Lohan struggling with political choices

Amid all the confusion currently engulfing Lindsay Lohan's personal life, at least the world knew where the troubled actress stood politically — until now. Lohan had previously endorsed Mitt Romney in the U.S. presidential elec-tion because "employment is really important right now," according to E! News.

But while live-tweeting the last presidential debate earlier this week, Lohan voiced her support for President Barack Obama by re-tweeting a post from the president's campaign saying she was "proud of

The tweet was soon

"I'm so relieved that it's over. Maybe more than both of (the candidates.) Severe anxiety"

Lindsay Lohan Tweeting about the election debate

deleted, though, so maybe she is on Team Romney after all.

It sounds like the debates were rough on the actress, in any event.

"I'm so relieved that it's over. Maybe more than both of (the candidates). Severe anxiety.'

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JoeSimpson coming out of Jessica's stylish closet?



WORD

Looks like Ashlee and Jessica Simpson are going to have a lot to talk about around the Thanksgiving dinner table. First up? Their mother,

Tina Simpson, filed for divorce from their father, Joe Simpson, after 34 years of marriage last month. "It is an amicable split

and there is no third party involved," a rep for the family says. "Any other related allegations are completely false. The family appreciates your respect for their privacy at this time."

The allegations they refer to? Well, the National Enquirer is reporting that their father, Joe Simpson, has come out of the closet.

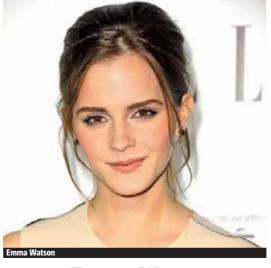
According to the tabloid, Simpson has a 20-yearold boyfriend, who was reportedly in the car with the former youth pastor and Baptist minister when he was busted for a DUI on

Aug. 4. I'll give you a second to let that sink in. Got it together? Good. The National Enquirer even has a source from the family.

"The police report stated that there was someone else in the car with Joe. Some reports have stated it was Tina, but now the belief is that it may well have been a boyfriend."

Of course, there is a

good chance this might not be true. After all, if Jessica Simpson's father were gay, don't you think her shoe line would be a little more



Emma Watson returning to school

Emma Watson is going back to school. After enrolling in Brown University in the fall of 2009, the British actress took a leave of absence from the Ivy League school in March 2011.

"I love Brown and I love studying pretty much more than anything, but recently I've had so much to juggle that being a student and fulfilling my other commitments has become a little impossible," Watson wrote

on her blog at the time. She then spent her junior year abroad, studying at Oxford University, before delaying her return to Brown once again to film a number of projects this summer and fall. But her rep assures Gossip Cop that she will be back on campus for 2013.



Mitt and Barrack are not proper names. I'd like an elderly female candidate in a crown.



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In the two and a half years since we last spoke to model Dajana, the 20-yearold has achieved more than many in her profession will hope to in their entire career. Back from Europe to her hometown of Toronto to take on World Mastercard Fashion Week, the five-foot-11 beauty chats with Metro's Elizabeth Beddall about mayhem, McQueen and one major piece of swaq

WALKING THE WORL

(laughs). Compared to the other cities, Toronto is very calm and relaxing. In Paris, casting would start anywhere from 7 a.m. onward. I had to learn the metro system. I would be running around all day, all night. There's no such thing Now that I've got the ball as walking! And you're always late. Running from castings to fittings to go-sees until all hours of the night.

So up until this past September, you had modelled

So Dajana,

like today?

what's your schedule been

Woke up at 10 a.m., rehearsal

at 1 p.m. for the Pink Tartan show,

an appointment at 3:30 p.m. to get my hair and

eyebrows done,

hair and makeup

call at 6 p.m. and

show's at 8 p.m.

So a bit of a

crazy day for

vou? No, actually

> only locally so that you could finish high school. What are your thoughts now that

rolling, I'm not going to stop Going back to school is a future plan. I want to be a film director, but maybe in a couple of years. I want to see where modelling is going to take me. My next trip is

you've graduated and gone international?

I was shopping in the Eaton Centre with my friend. I heard footsteps behind me, really hard footsteps. I see out of the corner of my eye a tall, white-haired man. I see him running after me. I start to walk faster. He taps me on my shoulder and says, 'Excuse me, are you a model?' I replied no. The reason being — I always wanted to be a model since I was two-feet high. I went to an open call in Grade 10 and I got

Blast from the past...

"The best thing that's happened so far is N.Y. Fashion Week. I'd like to do Paris and Milan..."

Dajana quoted in a Metro feature, published March 29, 2010

season

How does your family feel about all this travelling?

They've been so supportive. If it wasn't for my family I don't know where I'd be ... and Elmer of course

Elmer Olsen is the agent who discovered you. Can you tell me a little bit about how that happened?

rejected. After that meeting,

thing fashion. So when Elmer scouted me. I didn't want to hear it.

So what changed your mind?

He convinced the friend I was with to help him find me again. She told him where I went to school and he asked one of his former models (who happened to

go to my high school) to reach out to me. She did. It means a lot for an agent to go that distance. He claims it was 17 days, four hours later that I called him. He wasn't counting the days, he says.

So on your very first go in Europe, you opened for Roland Mouret, landed an exclusive booking with Jil Sander SS13 and walked for Alexander McQueen. What made you stand out from the crowds of girls that are seen?

I don't know, but I know what the casting directors say: My sense of humour. Fifty per cent of a job is personality. If you get along with your photographer, your stylist, that job can be really fun and it can go by really quickly.

Tell us about waiting backstage to hit the runway at the McQueen show?

I think I was the only model freaking out. They have experienced girls in the shows. Very few of us were brand new.

And when it was over?

At the end of the show, I thought, 'Am I dreaming?'. That was my goal.

My first season? It was so



An incredible Alexander McQueen

Dajana walks for Jil Sander in Milan



And I heard you got a little surprise along the way?

When I was having a fitting and the people at Alexander McQueen said they had a gift for me. (Points to her black smooth calf leather Heroine bag.) I was searching for a bag, too.

So now that you're constantly on the runway, do you have a little something you say to yourself each time you walk

Don't fall! (Laughs.) Don't fall. It would be so embarrassing, but you know what? It happens all the time. You just have to get up and keep on walking.





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HALLOWEEN

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Big Bird meets Gangnam

Costumes. Some of the hottest outfits this Halloween season are inspired from pop culture

HEATHER BUCHAN

The final countdown to Halloween has begun and the hot topic amongst kids and adults alike across countrv is what up as for Fright Night 2012.

that every year there is more and more variety available What you choose simply depends on budget, taste and time

Here are some of this vear's hottest costumes for people of all ages:

Depending on a child's age, costumes are more about fun than fright, with many toddlers wobblin around in cutesy, wobbling rather than scary, attire that's sure to elicit some ghoulish giggles.

ror pre-schoolers, th most popular costumes year after year include animals (puppy dogs, tur-tles, cats, horses, bunnies and cows reign supreme) as well as firefighters, bees and, interestingly, hotdogs. While

traditionally spooky costumes ghosts, ghouls, goblins and witches are classic go-to's every year, increasingly, popu

lar culture influences the costume decisions of teens and adults for Halloween parties.

At Candy's Costume Shop on Mount Pleasant in Toronto, Dorothy costumes have already sold out, a trend staff attribute to the reality TV singing competition Over The Rainbow.

Other popular teen and adult costumes that experts predict will be out and about abundance include Ladv Gaga (her eccentric wardrobe provides

endless outrageous costume options), South Korean pop star Psy, whose pop song Gangnam Style, complete with invis-ible horse dance moves, went viral on the Internet, and Big Bird (thanks to U.S. presidential candidate Mitt Romney's

name-dropping of the beloved Sesame Street character during the first presiden

tial debate). According to ABC News, Big Bird costumes are flying off the shelves at U.S.

costume shops. Year after year, the most popular costumes for boys are of the superhero variety, and this year, the impact of the Twilight franchise on tweens and teens alike cannot be overstated. So you can expect to see boys

and girls alike dressed vampires and werewolves this year. Superhero costumes, including Batman and Captain America, both influenced by the mega-popular films, will also be plentiful.

While in days past, many young girls donned princess costumes to do their trickor-treating in, this year, staff at Candy's have seen more young girls opting for vampire and ghoul costumes. And thanks to the recent Little Red Riding Hood and Snow White-based movies, there is expected to be a resurgence of both fairy

> characters this vear as well.

Given all the costume options, Halloween 2012 is sure to be spooktacular.

















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Walk among the dead

ASTRID VAN DEN BROEK

Does The Walking Dead have you inspired this Halloween to go zombie? If so, Allison Lumley, owner of Main Artery Designs in Red Deer, Alta.,

gives us her best tips on turning zombie for the big night.

WHAT TO USE?

Lumley says you can start with regular makeup for a DIY look, such as foundation or eye shadow, keeping in mind that the best bruise

colours are greys and black. "Then you can add white glue and toilet paper for a wrinkle or decay effect," she said.

Looking for a more professional look? Visit your local Halloween or theatrical store to pick up basic face paints, theatre blood, and liquid

things to your face. **USE A GUIDE**

"Have an image of a skull and use the shadows and highlights from the skull's bone structure to guide your make up," Lumley said. For example, think dark shades around eves, temples, collar bone, throat and highlighting the cheek bones to give features more depth.

latex/spirit gum for adhering

Here is Lumley's step-bystep process for turning into a zombie:

- Moisturize to prepare your face since you are about to add a lot of makeup
- Apply a base colour such
- as a pale blue or grey. Add latex wounds or glue/tissue. "For instant wrinkles, pull back the skin on your forehead so it's tight and put on a layer of glue. Blow dry, then let go," Lumley said. Or squint as tight as you can and lightly dab shade in the form of blacks and greys with a makeup sponge on the squint lines.

Add some red around the

bottom of the eyes. Mix corn syrup and red food colouring to make coagulated blood to add to wounds, or even swish around your mouth and let it drool out for extra blood effects.

Remember to include the neck, ears and hands think all exposed skin — to keep the effects real. "And for the ultimate look, you can buy special contact lenses or "Zombie Rot" for your teeth, and rub conditioner through your hair to make it look lifeless and dirty," Lumley said.

Tutorials for creepy creations

We are only a week away from Halloween, do you have your costume ready?

If you are planning an elaborate Halloween costume or looking for a last-minute idea, consider adding a swipe of makeup to your fright night festivities.

Embrace your inner zombie or scary character for the holiday, thanks to face paint and a little creativity.

We tracked down the best Canadian Halloween makeup tutorials on YouTube to take your costume to the next level

Crazy Face — youtube. com/watch?v=h6070oEi rqM&list=PL96C5D AD11C1D30E3&in dex=1&feature=pl pp_video

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Guilt-free brownies — no, seriously

Boasting sugar alternatives, these cocoa-nut Brownies from The Joy of Gluten-Free, Sugar-Free Baking by Peter Reinhart and Denene Wallace make a great treat.

- 1. Heat the oven to 350 F. Line an 8-inch square baking pan with parchment paper, then mist it with cooking spray.
- **2.** In a medium bowl, combine the pecan flour, almond flour, Splenda or other sweetener, cocoa

Ingredients

- 2 cups (8 oz) pecan flour
- 1 cup (4 oz) almond flour
- 2 cups Splenda or Stevia Extract in the Raw, or 1/2 cup New Roots Stevia Sugar
- 1/2 cup (1 1/2 ounces) unsweetened natural cocoa powder (not Dutch-process)
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 3 eggs
- 1/2 cup unsweetened chocolate soy milk or chocolate almond milk
- 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) salted butter or margarine, melted
- 1 tbsp vanilla extract
- 1/2 tsp liquid Stevia

powder and baking powder. Whisk until well mixed.

- 3. In large bowl, whisk the eggs, soy milk, butter, vanilla and liquid Stevia until thoroughly blended. Add the flour mixture and whisk or stir with a large spoon until all of the ingredients are evenly incorporated to make a smooth, sticky batter. Pour the mixture into the prepared pan, spreading it in an even layer.
- 4. Bake for 15 minutes, then rotate and bake for another 10 minutes, or until the brownies are just slightly springy but still jiggly when pressed gently at the centre. If you like fudgy brownies, remove them from the oven at this point. If you prefer them to be more cake-like, continue baking for a few more minutes, or until a toothpick inserted at the middle of the brownies comes out clean.
- 5. Let the brownies cool in the pan for at least 15 minutes. You can either cut the brownies in the pan, or transfer the whole piece to a cutting board before cutting. Cut them in a 3-by-4



grid to yield 12 brownies.

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Cookbook of the weel

All the yum, none of the regret



After more than two decades of research into glutenfree baking, legendary bread maker Peter Reinhart and his baking partner Denene Wallace have released a collection of 80 recipes for breads, pastries, cookies, cakes and more.

The Joy of Gluten-Free, Sugar-Free Baking also allows readers to make the recipes vegan friendly by following dairy and egg substitution guidelines.

Recipes include: banana bread, garlic breadsticks, blueberry-hazelnut muffins, carrot cake with cream cheese frosting and more.

Give the classic cookie recipe a gluten-free makeover



This gluten-free version of the ultimate classic chocolate chip cookie is made from almond flour and speckled with sliced almonds. Easy to make and even easier to eat, enjoy it for dessert or use as a post-workout snack to boost your energy.

- **1.** Heat oven to 180 C (350 F). Line baking sheets with parchment paper.
- **2.** In bowl, combine almond flour, salt and baking soda.
- 3. In a medium bowl, combine grapeseed oil, agave and vanilla. Add to almond flour mixure and mix until thoroughly combined. Fold in chocolate chips and almonds.
- **4.** Spoon dough one heaping tablespoon at a time onto baking sheet and press down to flatten. Bake for 7 to 10 min-

Nutrition information

Here is the nutritional info per cookie.

- Calories: 132
- Fat: 12 g (1.5 g saturated fat)
- Protein: 3 g
- Carbohydrate: 6 g
- **Fibre:** 2 g
- Cholesterol: 9 g
- Sodium: 76 mg

utes, until lightly golden. Let cookies cool on baking sheets for 20 minutes. The Canadian PRESS/CALIFORNIA ALMONDS, ALMOND-ROARD.COM

Ingredients

- \bullet 625 ml (2 1/2 cups) almond flour
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) salt
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) baking soda • 125 ml (1/2 cup) grapeseed
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) agave

nectar

- 15 ml (1 tbsp) vanilla
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) dark chocolate chips
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) sliced almonds

Lentil Cookies. Chocolate chips and lentils make for one-of-a-kind treat



The children won't be aware these cookies contain a secret yet healthy ingredient — lentil purée.

To make lentil purée, purée four parts cooked lentils with one part water. You can stir the purée into any soup or stew.

- 1. Heat oven to 190 C (375 F).
- 2. Use food processor to cream together butter and sugar until smoothly combined. Add egg, vanilla and lentil purée and continue until mix is smooth.
- **3.** In separate bowl, whisk flour, baking powder and salt, evenly distributing the finer powders among coarser ones. Add dry ingredients to the wet ingredients and mix well.

4. Stir in chocolate chips. Roll into balls or drop by spoonful, placing about 5 cm (2 inches) apart on a lightly oiled baking tray. Bake 12 minutes. Let cool for a few minutes, then serve. THE CANDIAN PRESS/CHEF MICHAEL SMITH FOR LENTILS.CA

Ingredients

- 125 ml (1/2 cup) butter, softened
- 500 ml (2 cups) brown sugar,
- 500 mt (2 cups) brown suga
- 1 egg
 10 ml (2 tsp) vanilla
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) lentil purée
- 500 ml (2 cups) all-purpose flour
- 10 ml (2 tsp) baking powder
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) salt
- 500 ml (2 cups) chocolate chips

Helping a living room grow up

I live alone in an apartment that I rent. My living room is a good size (12-by-16) and I get nice sun light. I want to redecorate, and I am sick of seeing my oversized brown couch. I don't want my small apartment to look small and want it to feel more grown up. -Sandra, Montreal



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Find a few things in the room that you love and build the room around them.

The rug, for instance, is a classic, and although pink, Persian-style rugs are not the biggest rage at this time, your quality rug can stay in the room as long as you build around the colours and classic style. I have chosen a palette of greys and pinks to play off the carpet and give the room a sophisticated, feminine look.

The first thing to do is to

get your furniture ordered, which will often take a few weeks. This will give you time to clear out the living room and paint the walls. Wait until the furniture is in place before deciding on lighting, artwork and small accessories. This will give you a better idea as to what is needed.

Designer touches

- Hang a large mirror over your new sofa to bounce light into the room.
- Add dark grey drapery panels on each side of the window to soften the room.
- Choose a medium-wood tone for picture framing in the room to tie in the floors and furnishings.
- Add decorative cushions
 patterned ones on the
 plain sofa and plain ones
 on the patterned chairs.



Before

Sandra's living room needed to grow up in terms of style and decor.



The simplest way to change the look of the room is to add colour to the walls. I suggest a deep pink brick colour. This will help tie in the Persian-style rug that is currently in the room. Lip Gloss, Benjamin Moore.



New sofa, \$2,100

I suggest a foggy blue/grey coloured sofa to help cool down the room and give it a sophisticated feel. Tailor Sofa, Crate & Barrel.



TV stand, \$600

A sleek media centre will be a better option than the crate that currently holds the television. Demio Media Shelf, Structube.



Side chairs, \$600

Purchase two upholstered side chairs and place them in front of the window, separated with a small side table. RUSS Chair. Urban Barn.



Storage, \$650

Ground the entrance wall with a stylish wardrobe to keep coats, shoes and sports equipment hidden away. PAX Wardrobe, Ikea

Watch out for harsh chemicals on chrome



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I have some furniture that has chrome handles. Is there any particular way I should be cleaning this?

Any metal with chrome plat-

ing is generally a very thin layer. Harsh or abrasive chemicals will damage this over time.

The good news is that a multi-purpose cleaner (50 per

cent water and 50 per cent white vinegar) is all that is necessary.

If you prefer, a simple window cleaner such as Windex will also do the trick perfectly.





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Just when you thought it was safe.

Each week, the hosts of House Hazards explore some of the most unexpected dangers in our own homes. Recreating blazing kitchen grease fires, erupting vacuum cleaners and bursting helium tanks is all in a day's work. Best to listen to their advice on the top five hidden hazards you might experience in your home. House Hazards airs Tuesdays at 10 p.m. ET/PT on HGTV Canada.



Junk drawer

Lots of people have junk drawers in their house, where they throw all types of common household

But, if you put some items together in that drawer — like spare batteries and a steel wool dish scrubber — the combination can actually create a hazard and result in a small fire.



A microwave alone isn't a hazard ... necessarily. But place the wrong household item inside and you can end up with some hazardous results. If you place whole eggs inside, the microwave's energy boils the eggs from inside the shells until they explode. Forgot to take the aluminum foil off your baked potato? You'll end up with plasma and fire created by the energy of the microwave on





Clothes dryer

Ignoring the lint buildup in your dryer's filter can actually cause clothes dryer fires.

The lint can ignite if it comes into contact with the dryer's heating coils, creating a serious fire hazard.



Did you know that people actually clean their toilet seats more often than they do their kitchen sinks?

The kitchen sink is used for all sorts of potentially hazardous activities, from rinsing raw meat, which can contain salmonella and other bacteria. to the household mop.





Grease fires

At room temperature, cooking oil is not flammable.

But when it's heated up past 200 degrees Celsius, it can catch fire. Hot oil can be especially dangerous if water is dropped into it. Water is heavier than oil, and sinks to the bottom of the pot, where it turns to steam and expands. This can push the oil up and out of the pot and onto your stove's burner.

This is also why you should never try to put out a grease fire with water. This reaction will actually spread the fire, rather than extinguish it.



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Pros share their pumpkin-carving secrets

Think you know the latest tricks for carving a creepy pumpkin? The pros continue to push the barriers.

A handful of people become professional pumpkin carvers each fall, specializing in fansatical designs. Among them are Alex Wer, self-proclaimed pumpkin geek, who lives near Sacramento, Calif., Scott Cummins, a Perryton, Texas middleschool art teacher and Marc Evan and Chris Soria, the Maniac Pumpkin Carvers of New York City. Wer does his carving between insurance sales and an evening package-delivery route.

He works with the fake, foam pumpkins sold at craft stores, so his intricate work has longevity. Evan and Soria drop their jobs as illustrators for a few months to carve pumpkins for festivals, parties and individual clients. The long hours leave the two childhood friends battling sore wrists and aching backs by late November.

"It's a labour of love," says Evan, who also carves pumpkins on the Food Network's Halloween Wars this season.

Here are some of their tips of the trade:

1. Choose your pumpkin wisely

"You want to have a stem, and you want it to be a healthy stem, because that stem is still providing nutrients for the pumpkin," says Soria.

Don't cut into your pumpkin around that perfect stem. Instead, access the pumpkin from its backside to help preserve freshness. Cutting out a stem cap weakens the Jack-o'-lantern, says Evan. And hiding the opening in the back gives the pumpkin more visual punch.

"It's esthetically more pleasing seeing the glow from (only) the design, not creeping out from where we might have cut the hole at the top," says Evan.

2. Preparing your pumpkin

Before carving a face, scrape and clean the inside of the pumpkin. The cleaner you get it, the longer it will last.

"I always tell people, 'Gut it out twice as much as you think you need to," says Wer. "It should be very dry inside."

3. The carve

Folks, there are two kinds of pumpkin carvings — the light-ed Jack-oʻ-lantern face and the three-dimensional sculpture, in which a pumpkin is treated like a block of wood — only stinky and less permanent. The Maniac team carves both styles. Cummins carves in creepy 3D. The tools are the same, but they're used in different ways.

Take either carve up a notch by adding depth and texture. Wer carves up to five layers in his faux pumpkins to get a mix of light and shadow for a photorealistic quality. Learn this skill, called shad-

Learn this skill, called shading, by scraping part of your design into the gourd. It just creates this new layer and this multi-level deoth." says Wer.

multi-level depth," says Wer. Need more help? Check out pumpkin-carving tutorials, such as those posted by The Pumpkin Lady on YouTube.

4. More about tools

The Maniac team favours tools from the kitchen or garage, primarily paring knives, graters and saws. They tout linoleum cutters and sculpting tools.

Linoleum cutters have several gouge tips. Evan likes the V-gouge for making precise cuts, whether shallow or deep. Ceramists' sculpting tools are metal loops on a stick — in various shapes and sizes — that can be purchased at art supply and craft stores. They slice smoothly through pumpkin rind.

Those cheap pumpkin-carving kits? All four of our expert carvers love them.

The Maniac team uses the

orange plastic scoop to clean out hundreds of pumpkins — fast. Cummins uses the scoop too, and praises the kit's flimsy, serrated blade.

5. Preservation

Once a pumpkin is carved, it begins to deteriorate.

"You will certainly notice a difference in 24 hours," says Cummins in his online tutorial.

Says Evan: "You can't preserve a pumpkin. We recommend 'delay' tactics."

Those include:

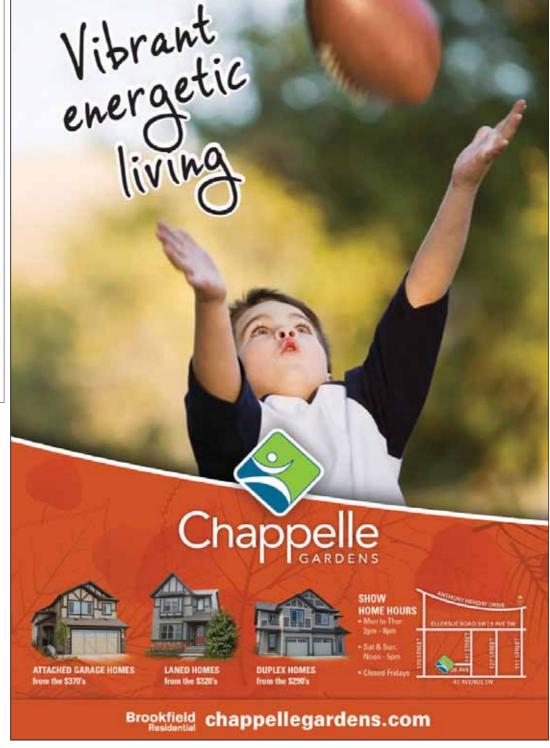
• When a Jack-o'-lantern is

not on display, Wer says, give it a bath. He has had as many as eight pumpkins bobbing overnight in his bathtub.

 Preserve cut edges with a lemon juice-water mixture, says the Maniac team. Then seal them with vegetable oil or petroleum jelly. Store your carving in the refrigerator or wrap it in plastic wrap and store in a cool

• And quick, take a photo. It's the "best and most essential way to preserve your creation," says Cummins. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS







HOW IS THE MARKET DOING?

BUYING A NEW HOME CONTINUES TO HOLD VALUE

It's nearly the end of October and you keep hearing about how Edmonton continues to be the economic splash of colour on the otherwise bland canvas that is Canada.

Canada is not as bad as Greece, but our country has seen better times. But here in Edmonton, the sun is shining (at least today, anyway) and folks are buying new homes. In fact, by the end of this year Edmonton will be on track to match pre-recession numbers within the Capital Region.

According to CMHC, Edmonton had recorded 9,125 housing starts as of the end of September, compared to 6,710 for the same period in 2011. Using a six-month rolling average, housing starts are predicted to reach 14,680 by year end. Recognizing that that figure is based on the most recent six months, which covers the busy spring and summer period, Edmonton is more likely to see a more conservative number in the order of 12,500 for 2012.

So how does that stack up with previous years? During the recession, starts dropped to 6,615 and 6,317 in 2008 and



2009, respectively. During the peak period in 2008, Edmonton was up to 14,970. For more normal annual starts you would have to go back to 2003, when Edmonton

> supported 12,380 new homes. So as you can see, Edmonton is on track to regain its pre-boom/recession pattern.

Among Canada's major urban centres, as of the end of September, Edmonton places fifth in terms of housing starts behind Toronto (36,617), Montreal (16,164), Vancouver (14,828), and Calgary (10,005). As the fifth largest city, it is interesting to note that Edmonton's new-home growth

as a percentage of population, ranks first at 0.95 per cent of total population. By comparison, Toronto is 0.7 per cent, Montreal is 0.47 per cent, Vancouver is 0.69 per cent and Calgary is 0.91 per cent. As a population living with new building almost everywhere, this will likely come as no shock. With Edmonton's population growing by nearly 20,000 new residents per year, it should come as no surprise that the city's housing market is a direct reflection of that growth.

But what do these numbers actually mean for the citizens of Edmonton? With a median house price of \$458,000 in August, this means that the residential construction industry is putting more than

\$5.5 billion into the Edmonton region economy. Including the renovation sector, that figure jumps to nearly \$6 billion, of which the industry returns more than \$500 million to all levels of government in fees, levies, taxes, and charges. And this is just from two per cent of the Edmonton region's housing inventory, those new homes built every year.

The good news for Edmontonians considering moving into a new home is that, despite a very strong market, the price of new homes continues to remain at relatively constant prices. Coupled with consistent low mortgage rates, that old saving about there never being a better time to buy continues to hold true



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All Landmark Homes come standard with features like triple-pane windows and high-velocity heating systems. And while that's ahead of consumer expectations in the market, Landmark is committed to providing healthier living spaces to homebuvers.

"Buyers get the best value with a Landmark home," says aid Marcel Podlosky, sales manager of Landmark Communities/Urban Landmark. "We are priced at par with competitors, yet we've put thousands worth of added features into our homes - there's less waste and it's more environmentally-friendly. No

one else in the industry is putting all these features in from entry-level homes and up.'

Over the past 30 years, the Landmark Group of builders has built more than 8,300 homes in Alberta. Today, seven corporate brands each build homes for unique market segments in Edmonton, Calgary and Red Deer, totalling some 1,000 new homes each year. The company was named Edmonton's largest volume builder of the year in 2011.

Landmark builds condos, duplex townhouse side by sides, laned homes with detached garages and move-up attached garage homes in several communities in the Edmonton area. The extra value Landmark puts into homes include 11/2-inch granite countertops, maple or oak cabinets topped with crown molding, five-inch baseboards, ceramic tile flooring and 31/4-inch hardwoods.

Buyers can also access the "design your space your way" feature online, a design centre geared toward homes with detached or attached garages.

FIND THE ESSENCE OF FALL

The prospect of moving back indoors after the summer may seem like a bit of a letdown, but it doesn't have to be. When temperatures begin to drop, your home becomes more of a haven than ever. Adding fall touches of décor is a great way to get excited about the seasonal transition

Sally Morse, director of creative services for window fashions company Hunter Douglas, offers the following tips for fall decorating:

NATURAL ACCENTS

Bring fall indoors with you. Because natural elements are earthy and neutralizing they will complement whatever your décor style happens to be. Try filling a vase with dry arrangements or a large bowl with pine cones for a festive and eye-catching centrepiece. Hanging a fall foliage wreath on the outside of your front door is another great way to bring in the new season.

During the summer months it's easy to take for granted the abundance of natural sunlight. However, as the daylight recedes in the fall, it's a good time to start thinking about investing in new window fashions that enhance your natural lighting. One way to do this is with Hunter Douglas Silhou-



ette window shadings, which feature soft fabric vanes suspended between sheer fabric facings that work to draw light deep into the room, thus maximizing daylighting efficiency.

Turn your home into a cosy retreat by bringing out throw blankets to place on couches or on the foot of beds. From hues of burnt orange and forest green to chocolate brown and gold, draw from fall's robust colour palette and add throw pillows with rich patterns and colours around the house.

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PAY LESS IN CONDO FEES

AT MAXX PROJECT

Consumers have made it clear that they want less amenities and lower condo fees.

"Amenities such as guest suites, car washes, exercise rooms, swimming pools, car washes, etc., drive up the monthly strata fees and can potentially escalate to the point that the condo becomes much harder to sell in the future," says Brent Bommes, Maxx sales manager.

"Starting off, most developers offer lower condo fees, so the perception of lower fees is not always the reality. Once the building is turned over to a property management company and the condo board is set up, reality sets in, with actual costing established and realistic budgets set."

Bommes says there are many determining factors that will play a part in determining how expensive the condo fees will be and how susceptible they are to future increases.

They include;

BUILDING MATERIALS

"How maintenance free is the building — concrete and steel will last longer and require less of a reserve fund in later years," Bommes says.

"Steel is non-combustible and will reduce the amount to insure the structure against fire."

FEWER AMENITIES

"Fewer amenities reduce the current and potential future increase," Bommes says.

"If you are close to outside amenities, there is less need to have them in your building."

REDUCED AMOUNT OF COMMON AREA

"The more common area the building has the higher the condo fees will be," Bommes says.

"Open-air courtyards, hallways and lobbies can greatly reduce condo fees as long as the structure is steel, and no wood is used in the open-air components. Exposed wood can result in extensive long-term increases as repairs are more likely. But not heating hallways and lobbies will have an immediate effect in condo fees being lower."

Residents of the MAXX Project can expect the quality construction of a high-



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end condo without the fees.

Located in downtown Edmonton, the amenities you crave are just a short distance away, so there is no need to try to cram them all into one building.

For more information about the MAXX project, visit livemaxx.ca.

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MOVING DOWNTOWN

Edmonton's downtown is moving north.

"Low vacancy rates and an improving Alberta economy is bringing more activity to the downtown core," says Brent Bommes, MAXX sales manager.

"The only direction Edmonton's downtown can grow is north — this is undeniably due to the fact that directly to the south is the Fort Saskatchewan River."

Bommes says the next avenue to be claimed by this growth pattern is 105 Avenue, which is already showing signs of the planned revitalization.

"Just driving down the revitalization corridor, you can already see signs of this impending transformation," Bommes

"Several of the more industrial sites have already been rezoned to accommodate residential and more commercial properties, and numerous for sale signs on existing properties dominate the landscape."

Pioneering the area is BCM Developments with Projects Zen & Maxx Urban Condos, Westrich Pacific Corp., Christenson Developments, 14 Property Group (Studio Ed) and others already selling or planning upcoming developments.

"105 Avenue will definitely be the area that will undergo the biggest transformation over the next several years, with sections of the avenue closed for pedestrians only, promoting a more walkable pedestrian friendly area," Bommes says.

"Power lines will be going underground, new sidewalks and streetlights are forthcoming to complement the area design, which is all displayed on the city of Edmonton website for your perusal."

Homeowners can also watch their property values transform as the revital-

SOMETHING FOR EVERY BUDGET

It is time to get into a new condo in what will be the hottest and most sought after area in the city of Edmonton

The MAXX Project on 105th Avenue is now selling luxury-style condos in this trendy neighbourhood.

"There is something for most every budget and size requirements," says Brent Bommes, MAXX sales manager.

Whether you are looking for a one bedroom or two, there is something for you at the MAXX Urban Condos.

One-bedroom and den suites starting from 841 square feet, to two-bedroom suites and even two-plus den suites all the way up to 1,668 square feet, are now available.

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ization nears completion.

"The upside is that values in the area will soar once the changes take place," Bommes says.

With easy access to transit, entertainment and shopping, this area has been popular with all demographics.

Whether the new arena is set to go in this area or not is still an unknown, but residents can expect to see some major changes happening in the years to come. If completed, owners of these homes will be just steps away from some of the best entertainment Edmonton has to offer.

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105th Avenue Redevelopment

MAXX is located in the heart of the 105th Avenue redevelopment. Already, incredible changes have made this area a sought after location and with more exciting changes planned over the next few years, now is the time to move on this. For complete redevelopment details visit the MAXX showsuites or www.livemaxx.ca.



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The economic downturn has meant a similar slowdown in the real estate market, but don't tell Brookfield Residential. It's full steam ahead for the company that builds communities throughout Edmonton and area.

Brookfield Residential has three ongoing successful communities in the city, including the popular and well-established Lake Summerside (11 years and counting). In 2011, Brookfield added The Orchards and Chappelle Gardens to its group of communities, and will create two more this year, and yet another in 2013.

"Each community is unique in its own way," says Brookfield Residential project manager Marilyn Combe. Indeed, Brookfield communities have a mix of housing from various builders - single-family homes, duplexes and townhouses with varying amenities, things like proximity to retail services and green space or lake access.

While Brookfield Residential creates the infrastructure in each of its neighbourhoods (roads, sidewalks, street lights), it's the builders that create the personality. Brookfield Homes, the building arm of the company, builds exclusively in various Brookfield communities around Edmonton with one guiding principle — to provide buyers with value-packed homes in areas in which they want to live. Brookfield Homes sells its Mosaic Townhome in Parkland, Terwillegar Towne and Lake Summerside, and the family-focused Axio Duplex in The Orchards, Lake Summerside and Chappelle Gardens.

Brookfield Homes' new Cadenza model duplex is a 1,700-square-foot, split-level home recently opened in Lake Summerside, furnished with the latest specifications: Threequarter-inch graphite hardwood floors, quartz countertops and ceiling-height, slate-coloured oak kitchen cabinets.

"People have to see this show home. It's incredible value, perfect for young families," says Jennifer Smith of Brookfield Homes.

Besides being a busy community builder, Brookfield Residential is a good corporate citizen. The company donates to and works with, among others, causes like the Kids Kottage and the Edmonton Sports and Social Club, which encourages healthy physical activity for thousands of Edmontonians.

"We're committed to being innovative in our work and in giving back — it's all about personal customer service in all our communities," Smith says.

BUILDING BETTER LIVES TOGETHER

HOMES BY AVI

Homes by Avi is a well-established builder, creating some 300 homes annually for singles and families of all sizes in the most desired neighbourhoods. Known for houses with intricate construction details - things like enhanced gables, high-pitched roofs, cedar shakes and exterior stone work — the interiors are just as impressive.

All Homes by Avi properties come with standard features including granite kitchen countertops, tile backsplash in the kitchen and bathroom, 36-inch cabinets, and hardwood and tile flooring. Stainless steel appliances are also often part of the home packages.

The company is also proud of its standard energy efficiency package, which comes with the latest technology for windows, furnace and insulation.

"Our homes are quality construction and great value," says marketing manager Renny Wong, pointing to the company's two-year builder warranty and the Avi Definitions program, which offers homeowners some 10,000 selections in interiors at a one-stop shop, and the help of a design



consultant to sift through the choices.

In Creekwood Chappelle, streetoriented, triplex and fourplex townhouses called "street towns" are appealing to first-time buyers or even those who are downsizing. With no condo fees, low maintenance front yards, detached garages and ample backyards, Wong says the

roughly \$300,000 entry-level property is a great value, especially with the included appliances and high-quality James Hardie siding. Homes by Avi also offers duplex homes for the entry level market segment.

As families grow in size and income, move-up homes appeal - the singlefamily homes with either rear detached

MANY STYLES

An Alberta-based company with homes in Edmonton, Calgary and Austin, Texas, Homes by Avi has been a successful builder for some 30 years. Locally, Homes by Avi primarily builds in the city's southeast and southwest. The Maple Crest and Glenridding neighbourhoods are the newest that showcase the many styles of Homes by Avi in Edmonton.

garage (great for storage and RV parking) or front attached garage meet the needs of growing families and go from \$320,000 and up. The three- or four-bedroom, two-storey homes are popular in booming subdivisions like Summerside in southeast Edmonton, which offers an added lakeside amenity for neighbourhood residents to enjoy.

Homes by Avi is also a socially-conscious corporate citizen. With an interest in building lifelong relationships in Avi neighbourhoods, the company supports child-focused initiatives through its Building Better Lives Together Foundation.



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SPORTS

Lockout. Darkness falls on NHL labour talks

The NHL's labour talks have entered a dark period. When that will lift is anyone's guess.

Rather than working towards progress on a new collective bargaining agreement in the coming days, the league is expected to start making grim announcements that will be all too familiar to fans who lived through the 2004-05 lockout.

It's a virtual certainty that a full 1,230-game schedule won't be played, with commissioner Gary Bettman acknowledging Wednesday that "it looks like an 82-game



season (for each team) is not going to be a reality."

Doping fallout

Armstrong N.Y. marathon results could be purged

Lance Armstrong's results erased from the record books will likely include his 868th-place finish at the 2006 New York City Marathon.

Marathon organizer New York Road Runners said in a statement on Wednesday it expected to wipe out his times once any potential appeals play out, since the race follows USADA rulings.

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NHL. Blue Jackets bring in veteran exec Davidson

Unlike many people in hockey, John Davidson wasn't afraid of the losing tradition of the Columbus Blue Jackets.

"I like the idea of the challenge. I mean, it's possible. In fact, it's something we're going to do," Davidson said Wednesday after being hired as the Blue Jackets' new president of hockey operations.

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The former player, Hall of Fame broadcaster and St. Louis Blues president believes he can transform a franchise with just one, brief trip to the post-season into a Stanley Cup

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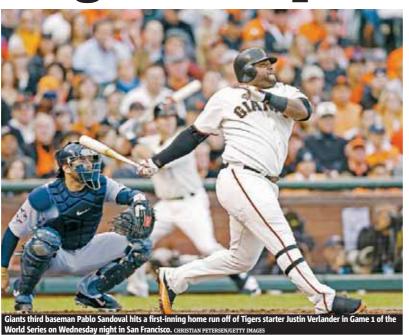
"We'll win our share.
As we move along here,
we'll win more than our

John Davidson

Davidson will take over a new position. The former president, Mike Priest, will now concentrate only on the business side of a team that had the worst record in the NHL last season (29-46-7, 65 points).

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Pablo nearly perfects art of long-ball to open World Series



MLB. Burly third baseman cranks three homers as Giants run away with Game 1

With three mighty swings, Pablo Sandoval put the San Francisco Giants ahead in this World Series and put himself in a class with Mr. October.

Sandoval hit three home runs and joined Reggie Jackson, Babe Ruth and Albert Pujols as the only sluggers to do it in the Series, and the Giants jolted Justin Verlander and the Detroit Tigers 8-3 on Wednesday night in Game 1.

A rollicking AT&T Park crowd — a sea of black and orange outfits — roared as Sandoval connected in his first three at-bats. Popular in the Bay Area as the Kung Fu Panda for his roly-poly shape, he went 4 for 4 and drove in four runs. A Giant panda for sure.

From start to finish, it was basically a perfect game by the

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Giants

Tigers

Giants. Coming off a Game 7 win over St. Louis on Monday night, they looked totally fresh.

"We played our last game only two days ago," Sandoval said. "We're still hot. We just came here and played our game."

Verlander, the reigning Cy Young winner so dominant in this post-season, looked uncomfortable from the get-go and constantly pawed at the mound.

The final score raised a nagging question for manager Jim Leyland and his favoured Tigers: Did too much rest after a playoff sweep of the Yankees mean too much rust?

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Islanders to call Brooklyn home

NHL. Historic franchise will leave Long Island for 2015-16 season to set up shop in brand new Barclays Center

Now hockey is coming to Brooklyn.

The NHL's New York Islanders have agreed to move to the Barclays Center starting with the 2015-16 season.

"Hello Brooklyn!" Islanders owner Charles Wang said as he made the announcement at a news conference Wednesday. The lease deal is for 25 years.

Officials in nearby Nassau County, N.Y., have struggled for years to come up with a plan to either renovate or build a new arena to replace the Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum, which opened in 1972. Wang, the founder of a computer software company, presented a plan in 2003 for a privately funded multibillion-dollar development of housing, retail and a new arena on the property, but the proposal foundered amid community opposition.



Staying close

The Barclays deal took seven months to complete and was finished Tuesday night, according to Wang, who said he had wanted to keep the team local.

Wang had long threatened to move the team from its home in Uniondale after the club's lease expired following the 2014-15 season. He complained that the dilapidated building is unsuited for a professional sports franchise.

"Brooklyn is big time and now we have the big-league sports to prove it," Mayor Michael Bloomberg said.

Long Island fans seemed resigned to the move for a team that won the Stanley Cup every year from 1980 through 1983 but missed the playoffs the last five seasons.

NFL

Vick's job on the line vs. Falcons

Michael Vick isn't looking over his shoulder, though he could be a few more turnovers away from a seat on the bench.

Vick's job as the starting quarterback for the Philadelphia Eagles has never been less secure than it is now. He's going to have to prove himself on a weekly basis going forward.

"I'm giving it everything that I've got and I'm going to continue to do that," Vick said Wednesday. "I can sit here at my locker and say, 'We're going to do it. We're going to get it done.' It has to happen on Sundays. That's it. Bottom line."

The Eagles (3-3) are coming off a bye that followed two straight losses on final-play field goals. Coach Andy Reid already made it clear he'll do whatever he can to turn the team around when he fired defensive co-ordinator Juan Castillo after six games. After that move, Reid sent notice to the players that everyone's job is on the line, including Vick's. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Wolves winners in the 'Peg

Minnesota Timberwolves guard Brandon Roy drives to the basket against Detroit Pistons centre Greg Monroe during the first half of an NBA pre-season game in Winnipeg on Wednesday night. Chase Budinger had 21 points off the bench and the Timberwolves defeated the Pistons 95-76. IOINN WOODS/THE CANADIAN PRESS



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(Best-of-7)
San Francisco (N.L.) vs. Detroit (A.L.)
(San Francisco leads series 1-0)
Wednesday's result

San Francisco 8 Detroit 3 Thursday's game

Detroit (Fister 10-10) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 16-11), 8:07 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27 San Francisco (Vogelsong 14-9) at Detroit

(Sanchez 4-6), 8:07 p.m Sunday, Oct. 28

San Francisco (Cain 16-5) at Detroit (Scherze 16-7), 8:15 p.m. Monday, Oct. 29

x-San Francisco at Detroit, 8:07 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31

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Friday's games

Adirondack at Albany, 7 p.m. Hershey at Connecticut, 7 p.m. Charlotte at Grand Rapids, 7 p.m Springfield at Providence, 7:05 p.m. Rochester at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton, 7:05 p.m. Toronto at Hamilton, 7:30 p.m. Abbotsford at Lake Erie, 7:30 p.m. Bridgeport at Worcester, 7:30 p.m. Houston at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m. Chicago at Peoria, 8:05 p.m.

Thursday's games Milwaukee at Charlotte, 11 a.m. Portland at Utah, 9 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Denver, 10 p.m. At San Diego, CA

At San Diego, CA Sacramento vs. L.A. Lakers, 10 p.m. Friday's games Houston at Orlando, 7 p.m. Indiana vs. Chicago at South Bend, IN, 7 p.m. Atlanta at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Minnesota vs. Milwaukee at Green Bay, WI, 8 p.m.

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Columbus	33	14	12	7	42	43	49
Montreal	33	12	15	6	45	50	42
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x-Los Angeles	33	15	12	6	58	47	5
x-Vancouver	33	11	13	9	35	41	4
Dallas	33	9	13	11	40	45	3
Colorado	33	10	19	4	42	50	3
Portland	33	8	16	9	33	55	3
Chivas USA	33	7	18	8	22	56	2
x — Clinched playo	off b	erth	١.				

v — Clinched conference.

Note: Three points for a win, one for a tie.

Wednesday's result Kansas City 2 Philadelphia 1

ENGLISH

LEAGUE CHAMPIOSHIP

Wednesday's result Blackburn Rovers 1, Sheffield Wednesday 0

CONCACAF

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

FIRST ROUND

Group One

Santos Laguna (Mexico) 1 Toronto (Canada) 0 Tigres (Mexico) vs. Alajuelense (Costa Rica)

UEFA

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

FIRST ROUND

Group A

Dinamo Zagreb (Croatia) 0, Paris Saint-Germain (France) 2 Porto (Portugal) 3, Dynamo Kiev (Ukraine) 2

Group B

Arsenal (England) 0, Schalke (Germany) 2 Montpellier (France) 1, Olimpiakos (Greece) 2

Group C Zenit St. Petersburg (Russia) 1, Anderlecht

(Belgium) 0 Malaga (Spain) 1, AC Milan (Italy) 0

Group D

Aiax (Netherlands) 3, Manchester City (England) 1

Borussia Dortmund (Germany) 2, Real Madrid (Spain) 1

CFL

WEEK 18

EAST DIVISI	ON					
	GP	W	L	Т	PF PA	Pt
y-Montreal	16	10	6	0	440 445	20
Toronto	16	7	9	0	371 425	14
Winnipeg	16	5	11	0	339 492	10
Hamilton	16	5	11	0	470 515	10

	GP	W	L	Т	PF PA	Pi
y-B.C.	16	12	4	0	441 307	24
x-Calgary	16	10	6	0	464 382	20
x-Saskatchewan	16	8	8	0	425 361	16
Edmonton	16	7	9	0	370 393	14
en						

Winnipeg at Hamilton, 1 p.m.

Edmonton at Montreal, 1 p.m

TENNIS

ATP VALENCIA OPEN

Second Round David Goffin, Belgium, def. John Isner (5), United States, 7-6 (2), 4-6, 6-4. Marin Cilic (7), Croatia, def. Fernando Verdas-co, Spain, 6-1, 6-4. Ivan Dodig, Croatia, def. Llevton Hewitt, Aus-

PIONSHIPS

At Istan

Group A
Serena Williams (3), United States, def. Li Na

Victoria Azarenka (1), Belarus, def. Angelique Kerber (5), Germany, 6-7 (11), 7-6 (2), 6-4. Standings: Williams 2-0 (sets 4-0): Azarenka 1-0 (2-1); Li 0-1 (0-2); Kerber 0-2 (1-4).

NFL

FAST

Buffalo

SOUTH

Houston

Indianapolis

Jacksonville

NORTH

Baltimore

Pittsburgh

Cincinnati

Cleveland

WEST

San Diego

Monday's result

Oakland 0 4 1

Tennessee

New England

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
y-Montreal	16	10	6	0	440	445	20
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v — Clinched division

Friday's game — All Times Eastern B.C. at Calgary, 9 p.m

Saturday's games

Toronto at Saskatchewan, 4 p.m. Sunday's

At Valencia, Spain

At Valencia, Spain Wednesday's results Singles — First Round Gilles Muller, Luxembourg, def. Milos Raonic (8). Thornhill, Ont., 7-5, 7-6 (1). Marcel Granollers, Spain, def. Jan Hajek, Czech Republic, 7-5, 6-4.

ATP WORLD TOUR **SWISS INDOORS**

tralia, 6-1, 3-6, 6-2

At Basel, Switzerland Singles – First Round Benoit Paire, France, def. Andreas Seppi (5), Italy, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3. Paul-Henri Mathieu, France, def. Henri Laaksonen, Switzerland, 6-2, 7-5. Marinko Matosevic, Australia, def. Florian Mayer (7), Germany, 6-2, 6-3. Juan Martin del Potro (2), Argentina, def. Alejandro Falla, Colombia, 6-4, 6-1. Second Round Grigor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, def. Julien Beneteau, France, 7-6 (5), 6-7 (1), 7-6 (3). Roger Federer (1), Switzerland, def. Thomaz Bellucci, Brazil, 6-3, 6-7 (6), 7-5. Richard Gasquet (3), France, def. Marco Chiudinelli, Switzerland, 6-1, 6-4.

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Round Robin — Singles

(8), China, 7-6 (2), 6-3.

Group B Maria Sharapova (2), Russia, def. Agnieszka

Radwanska (4), Poland, 5-7, 7-5, 7-5. Standings: Sharapova 2-0 (4-1); Radwanska 1-1 (3-2); Sara Errani 0-1 (0-2); w-Petra Kvitova 0-1 (0-2); a-Sam Stosur 0-0 (0-0).

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Chicago 13, Detroit 7 Sunday's results Minnesota 21 Arizona 14 Green Bay 30 St. Louis 20 Houston 43 Baltimore 13

N.Y. Giants 27 Washington 23 Dallas 19 Carolina 14 New Orleans 35 Tampa Bay 28

Indianapolis 17 Cleveland 13 Tennessee 35 Buffalo 34 Oakland 26 Jacksonville 23 (0T)

New England 29 N.Y. Jets 26 (OT) Pittsburgh 24 Cincinnati 17 Thursday's result San Francisco 13 Seattle 6

WEEK EIGHT

Thursday's game

All Times Eastern Tampa Bay at Minnesota, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 28

Jacksonville at Green Bay, 1 p.m. Indianapolis at Tennessee, 1 p.m. Carolina at Chicago, 1 p.m. Miami at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m. San Diego at Cleveland, 1 p.m. Atlanta at Philadelphia, 1 p.m. Seattle at Detroit, 1 p.m. Washington at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m. New England vs. St. Louis at London, $1\,\mathrm{p.m.}$ Oakland at Kansas City, 4:05 p.m.

N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 4:25 p.m. New Orleans at Denver, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 29 San Francisco at Arizona, 8:30 p.m.

GOLF

WEEKEND GLANCE

US PGA TOUR/ASIAN TOUR

CIMB CLASSIC

Site: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Schedule: Thursday-Sunday Online: www.pgatour.com

Asian Tour site: www.asiantour.com **EUROPEAN TOUR**

BMW MASTERS

Site: Shanghai. Schedule: Thursday-Sunday. Online: www.europeantour.com

US LPGA TOUR

SUNRISE LOGA TAIWAN CHAMDIONSHIP

Site: Yang Mei, Taiwan. Schedule: Thursday-Sunday. Online: www.lpga.com

CHAMPIONS TOUR

AT&T CHAMPIONSHIP Site: San Antonio. Schedule: Friday-Sunday. Online: www.pgatour.com

TOURNAMENTS

WEB.COM TOUR: Web.com Tour Championship, Thursday-Sunday, TPC Craig Ranch, McKinney, Texas. **Online:** www.pgatour.com **JAPAN GOLF TOUR:** Mynavi ABC Championship, Thursday-Sunday, ABC Golf Club, Hyogo, Japan. Online: http://www.jgto.org PGA TOUR OF AUSTRALASIA: Western Australia Open, Thursday-Sunday, Royal Perth Golf Course, Perth, Australia. Online:

pgatour.com.au SUNSHINE TOUR: Sun Coast Classic, Thurs-day-Saturday, Durban Country Club, Durban, South Africa. Online: www.pgatour.co.za EUROPEAN CHALLENGE TOUR: Apulia San Domenico Grand Final, Wednesday-Saturday, San Domenico Golf Club, Savelletri, Italy, Online: www.europeantour.com

WOMEN

LADIES FUROPEAN TOUR: China Suzhou Taihu Open, Friday-Sunday, Suzhou Taihu Inter-national Golf Club, Suzhou, China. **Online:** www.ladieseuropeantour.com JAPAN LPGA TOUR: Hisako Higuchi Ladies,

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PLAY

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T Aries

March 21 - April 20

You will go out of your way to prove you have what it takes, but don't go too far and do something that lands you in a lot of trouble. By all means, be adventurous but keep things in perspective too.

Taurus April 21 - May 21

You may be tempted to take some kind of risk but the Sun linked to Saturn in your opposite sign warns that's not such a good idea. Try to think through the consequences of your actions before you take

∐ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

No matter how eager you may be to change your life for the better, you still need to invest a bit more time thinking things through. Your plans may never be watertight but they can be more realistic.

Gancer

June 22 - July 23

Your confidence is back and everyone is praising you to the skies. That is all very nice but you should be aware that some of those people don't really want to see you succeed. You know who they are.

Ω Leo July 24 - Aug. 23

It might be tempting to get involved in a dispute of some kind but if you are smart, you will keep your distance. Nothing you do or say will change the situation one little bit, so leave well alone.

W Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

If you allow other people to speak on your behalf, you will probably regret it. Either speak for yourself or keep your thoughts secret. In general, the less others know about your plans and ambitions, the better.

△ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

The Sun close to Saturn in the money area of your chart warns you need to be realistic about your cash flow situation. Don't spend it if you haven't got it — and, if you have got it, save it for later.

M Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You may think that nothing can harm you, that fortune favours you because you are bold. To an extent that is true, but don't get silly about it. Even Scorpios are human. Even Scorpios bleed. Be careful.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

To resolve a long running problem, you may need to team up with someone who knows more about a specific area than you do. You can make use of their knowledge and they can make use of your energy.

り Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Everything has its place and purpose. It is simply not true that we live in a meaningless universe. You may be a down to earth sort by nature but today you will want to dig deeper into life's mysteries.

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Try not to take anything for granted today. And try not to let your fantasies take over your mind. Wishful thinking can be fun but it can also be dangerous. Reach for the stars but don't lose touch with reality.

H Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

There is no point trying to force yourself to do something you don't enjoy because you won't do a good job at it. Either you give it one hundred per cent or you don't do it at all. What will it be? SALLY BROMPTON

This Puzzle Has No Title

Across

- 1. Occupied a chair
- 4. Astroturf rival 7. Desire
- 11. Biggest problems of some celebrities
- 13. Identical
- 14. Québec peninsula along the south shore of
- the Saint Lawrence River
- 15. Winnie-the-16. "Sad to say ...
- 17. "On the ___ hand ...": "Here's a different idea ...' 18. BC's
- National Park, in the Rockies near Revelstoke
- 20. Headquartered
- 21. A whole bunch 22. Jaguar or Mustang
- _-et-un: blackjack (from French for "21")
- 25. Side with the football 28. Assistants
- 29. Irritate by rubbing
- 30. A cheer
- 32. Member of a landscaping team who digs up weeds
- 33. Like nonvegetarian spaghetti sauces
- 34. Apple eater's throwaway
- mode: with ice 35. cream (2 wds.)
- 36. Bookstore shelving category 37. "___ l
- _ Lane": Beatles song 38. "Wild Rose Country"
- province 40. Infraction fees
- 41. Cabin material
- 42. Transmitted

- 43. Black playing card 45. Canada's most populous province
- 48. Cognizant of one's surroundings 49. ___-Ball: old arcade game
- 50. Makes a mistake
- 52. Challenges
- 53. Bauxite and galena 54. Insecticide ingredient
- 55. Adds color to 56. Place for a drink
- 57. Asian sauce type

- 1. End-of-summer mo.
- 2. All ___: excited 3. Chisel or hammer
- 4. After-Christmas store events
- 5. Rubáiyát poet Khayvam, actor Sharif, or
- House actor Epps
- _ Moines, lowa 7. Doctor who's Sherlock
- Holmes's sidekick
- 8. "How ____, Doc?":
 "What's his prognosis?" (2 wds.)
- 9. Exceeded the posted limit
- 10. That girl
- 12. Montréal-born Star Trek star William
- 13. Blessed one
- 14. Colonel Sanders, Mitch
- Miller, or the Devil's beard type
- 19. Gear teeth 20. Saskatchewan-born
- folk singer Sainte-Marie
- worse than death: Sudoku

How to play

- dire outcome (2 wds.) 23. String quartet member
- 24. Worthy aim
- 25. Scarlett ___ of Gone With the Wind 26. Witch
- 27. Brings in, as a salary
- 28. "Gotcha!"
- 29. Change for a nickel
- 31. "Pay attention!" 33. Become one company
- 34. Moved to the middle
- 36. Hollow, crystal-lined stones colada: rum 37.
- cocktail 39. Plays at maximum
- volume 40. Big celebrations
- 42. Villainous expression
- 43. Bend with the breeze 44. Peel
- 45. Southern US stew ingredient
- 46. Angers
- 47. Sandwich cookie 48. Also say
- 49. Bawl
- 51. Pig pen



See today's answers at metronews.ca/ answers.





Fill in the grid, so that every

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involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and

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